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1           [There is no reportable action as a result of the  
2           Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]  
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6   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. WELCOME. I ASK EVERYONE TO  
7   PLEASE RISE. WE WILL BE LED IN OUR INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY  
8   A GOOD FRIEND, PASTOR CHARLEY GALLEGOS, OF THE DESTINY  
9   COMMUNITY CHURCH IN WHITTIER, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF  
10  ALLEGIANCE WHICH WILL BE LED BY MR. ROBERT SAXON, FROM OUR  
11  MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT. PASTOR GALLEGOS.  
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13 **PASTOR CHARLEY GALLEGOS:** GOOD MORNING. LET'S PRAY. FATHER,  
14 WE'VE JUST COME HERE FIRST OF ALL TO THANK YOU FOR THIS  
15 OPPORTUNITY. IT'S A GREAT HONOR TO BE HERE, FATHER, TO REMIND  
16 US OF OUR RESPONSIBILITIES. IT'S GREAT TO BE AMONGST MEN AND  
17 WOMEN OF INTEGRITY, PASSION AND COMPASSION. I THANK YOU THAT  
18 YOU'LL KEEP THE VISION FOR THE DISTRICTS ALIVE, THAT YOU'LL  
19 CONTINUE TO REMIND THEM OF THEIR STANDARD OF THE HIGHER CALL,  
20 AND THE RESPONSIBILITY. WE BLESS EVERY REPRESENTATIVE HERE,  
21 THAT YOU WOULD BLESS THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES, FATHER. WE GIVE  
22 YOU ALL THE GLORY, AMEN.  
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1   **ROBERT SAXON:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG AND FOLLOW ME IN THE PLEDGE  
2   OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.] PLEASE BE  
3   SEATED.

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5   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PASTOR GALLEGOS, ON BEHALF OF MY  
6   COLLEAGUES AND HERE ON THE BOARD AS WELL AS OUR GREAT COUNTY,  
7   WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME OUT OF YOUR BUSY  
8   SCHEDULE TO LEAD US IN THAT INVOCATION THIS MORNING. AS I  
9   MENTIONED, PASTOR CHARLEY CURRENTLY SERVES AT DESTINY  
10   COMMUNITY CHURCH IN WHITTIER. HE ALSO HAS CHURCHES IN MEXICO  
11   AND IN HONDURAS, AND LATER THIS YEAR WILL BE OPENING A NEW  
12   CHURCH IN CHINO. PASTOR CHARLEY IS A SOUGHT AFTER SPEAKER FOR  
13   HIS MOTIVATIONAL STYLE OF MINISTERING, AND HAS MINISTERED TO  
14   PASTORS AND CHURCH LEADERS IN LONDON, SPAIN, MEXICO, TEXAS.  
15   ARIZONA, AND HERE LOCALLY AT MANY CHURCHES. PASTOR CHARLEY IS  
16   ALSO COMMITTED TO REACHING OUT TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE AND HAS  
17   PERSONALLY STARTED A YOUTH MINISTRY CALLED THE FAITH FACTOR IN  
18   WHITTIER, WHICH WE CAN ATTEST TO IS A VERY SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM.  
19   HE BELIEVES THAT WE MUST OFFER OUR YOUTH OPTIONS AND IF WE  
20   DON'T REACH OUT TO THEM, THE CRIMINAL ELEMENT WILL. PASTOR  
21   CHARLEY AND HIS WIFE, LINDA, WILL SOON CELEBRATE 25 YEARS IN  
22   MINISTRY. THEY HAVE THREE CHILDREN AND SIX GRANDCHILDREN. SO  
23   I'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO PASTOR  
24   CHARLEY GALLEGOS AND THANK HIM ONCE AGAIN FOR TAKING THE TIME  
25   TO LEAD US IN THE INVOCATION. GOD BLESS YOU. [APPLAUSE.] ZEV





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1 WOULD LOVE THAT. THE PASTOR SAYS GO BRUINS. HE'S A DIEHARD  
2 BRUINS FAN. THERE'S THREE OF THEM OUT THERE, TOO. THAT'S GOOD.  
3 [LAUGHTER.] FIGHT ON. ALL RIGHT. WE'LL DO THE AGENDA, PLEASE.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE  
6 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE  
7 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANITATION DISTRICTS,  
8 ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9. ON ITEM NO. 4, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
9 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS  
10 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ON ITEMS 1, 2, 3 AND 5 --

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND UP THROUGH 9, THE ONLY ITEM WE'RE  
15 HOLDING IS 4.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ONLY ITEM IS 4, OKAY. ON THE  
18 REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
19 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY  
22 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONS, ITEMS 1-D THROUGH 5-D. ON ITEM 5-D  
23 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS  
24 ITEM.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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3    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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5    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
6    RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
7    ORDERED.

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9    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING  
10    AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1-H THROUGH 6-H. ON ITEM 6-H, THERE'S A  
11    REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THE  
12    REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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14    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
15    ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
16    ORDERED.

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18    **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK  
19    AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ON ITEM 1-P, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
20    MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 12,  
21    BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 16. ON ITEM NO. 1,  
22    SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST  
23    THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 2, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
24    THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON  
25    ITEM NO. 6, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A



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1 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE  
2 REMAINING ITEMS FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDERS, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
5 RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA; WITHOUT  
6 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 17, CONSENT CALENDAR,  
9 ITEMS 17 THROUGH 75. ON ITEM NO. 17, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND  
10 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM  
11 NO. 24, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
12 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 26, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
13 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JUNE 23RD,  
14 2009. ON ITEM 30 AND 31, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS  
15 THAT THESE ITEMS BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JUNE 16TH, 2009.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 33, THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF  
20 HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THE RECOMMENDATION WHICH READS:  
21 AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES EXTEND  
22 SERVICES ON A MONTH-TO-MONTH BASIS FOR UP TO THREE MONTHS  
23 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1ST, 2010 THROUGH MARCH 31ST, 2010 AT AN  
24 ESTIMATED COST OF \$6,345,276 FOR ALL AGREEMENTS WITHOUT  
25 FURTHER ACTION REQUIRED AS NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE REQUEST FOR





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1 PROPOSALS PROCESS, BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT, BUT THE  
2 REMAINING RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE BEFORE YOUR BOARD. AND ALSO  
3 THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS  
4 ITEM.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT PORTION WILL BE REFERRED BACK. AND  
7 THE REMAINDER WE WILL VOTE ON AFTER WE HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 35, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
10 MEMBER. PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 37, SUPERVISOR  
11 KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JUNE  
12 23RD, 2009.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ITEM WAS THAT?

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 37. TWO WEEKS. ON ITEM NO. 49, THE CHIEF  
17 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE  
18 WEEK TO JUNE 16TH, 2009.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 56, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS  
23 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 67, AS INDICATED ON THE  
24 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE FIRE CHIEF REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
25 CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO JUNE 30TH, 2009.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH ITEM IS THAT?

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 67.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 70, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS

9 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 71, SUPERVISOR

10 RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 77?

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 71. 70 AND 71. ON ITEM NO. 74, THE INTERIM

15 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT SETTLEMENT BE

16 APPROVED TODAY BUT THAT THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN BE

17 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JUNE 16TH, 2009.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 75, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A

22 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THE REMAINING ITEMS ON THE CONSENT  
2 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I SHOW ITEM 76 THERE'S A HOLD?

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 76 IS THE ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AND  
7 I'LL READ THAT IN IN JUST A MOMENT IF WE COULD GET APPROVAL ON  
8 THE --

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, THEN MOVED BY  
11 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.  
12 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 50, ORDINANCES FOR  
15 INTRODUCTION. ITEM 76. ON ITEM 76, I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE  
16 IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION  
17 AMENDING TITLE 3, ADVISORY COMMISSIONS AND COMMISSIONS OF THE  
18 LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE ALLOWING THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
19 QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSIONERS TO RECEIVE  
20 COMPENSATION. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
21 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON A SEPARATE MATTER, ITEM 77,  
22 AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS THE  
23 TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT  
24 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE SANTA  
25 MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND,



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1 2006 ELECTION, SERIES B, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT  
2 TO EXCEED \$80 MILLION.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED  
5 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS 78 AND 79. ON ITEM  
8 78, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
9 CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO JUNE 30TH, 2009.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON THE PUBLIC HEARING, WE'LL HOLD THAT  
14 ITEM FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. PAGE 52, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS  
15 TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE  
16 OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM  
17 80-A.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE  
20 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 80-B.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY  
25 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND 80-C.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE  
5 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.  
8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL  
9 DISTRICT NO. 2.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** QUESTION, MR. CHAIRMAN. ON THE 80-B, COULD WE  
12 HAVE THE LETTER SENT TODAY? MANY OF YOU MAY NOT KNOW, EXCUSE  
13 ME, 80-C. THE LING FAMILY ARE CONSTITUENTS OF LOS ANGELES  
14 COUNTY. AND I'VE TALKED TO THE MOTHER THIS MORNING AND HAD AN  
15 EMAIL FROM THE SISTER. TIME IS OF THE URGENCY BECAUSE IT'S A  
16 VERY DICEY SITUATION AND ONE THAT INVOLVES LIFE AND DEATH  
17 SITUATIONS.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, IF WE CAN MAYBE HAVE THE LETTER  
20 PREPARED WHILE WE MEET, BY THE END OF THE MEETING WE CAN ALL  
21 FIVE SIGN IT.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BEFORE WE MOVE FORWARD TO THE OTHER  
2    PRESENTATIONS, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO INVITE AND WELCOME THE  
3    HONORABLE GRIGOR HOVHANNISSIAN TO COME FORWARD. HE IS THE  
4    CONSUL GENERAL OF ARMENIA HERE IN LOS ANGELES AND WAS  
5    ACCREDITED TO HIS POST THIS LAST FEBRUARY. [APPLAUSE.] THE  
6    CONSUL GENERAL HAS A VERY DISTINGUISHED CAREER AND BACKGROUND  
7    IN ACADEMIC SERVICE. HE GRADUATED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ARAB  
8    STUDIES AT YEREVAN STATE UNIVERSITY, EARNED A MASTER'S DEGREE  
9    FROM THE FLETCHER SCHOOL OF LAW AND DIPLOMACY AT TUFTS  
10   UNIVERSITY. HE WAS WITH THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT FOR 12  
11   YEARS WHERE HE SERVED IN AFRICA INCLUDING THE REPUBLIC OF  
12   CONGO AND THE GREAT LAKES REGION OF EAST AFRICA. HE ALSO  
13   SERVED IN ISRAEL, THE PALESTINIAN TERRITORIES IN LEBANON AND  
14   THE MIDDLE EAST. FROM THE UNITED NATIONS, HE WENT ON TO HEAD  
15   THE SUSHI REVIVAL FUND TO TEACH MIDDLE EAST POLITICS AT  
16   YEREVAN STATE UNIVERSITY. IN JANUARY 2009 HE WAS APPOINTED  
17   ADVISOR TO MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. FROM THERE HE CAME  
18   HERE TO JOIN US IN LOS ANGELES AS THE CONSUL GENERAL OF  
19   ARMENIA. SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OUR 10.3 MILLION RESIDENTS  
20   HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE ARE EXTREMELY HONORED TO  
21   WELCOME CONSUL GENERAL HOVHANNISSIAN, AND PROUD TO HAVE HIM  
22   JOIN US HERE TODAY. AND OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE A VERY INFLUENTIAL  
23   AND FRIENDLY ARMENIAN AMERICAN POPULATION HERE IN LOS ANGELES  
24   COUNTY. SO WE SHARE A GREAT RELATIONSHIP AND LOOK FORWARD TO  
25   MANY, MANY MORE YEARS. AND WELCOME, SIR.



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2 **HON. GRIGOR HOVHANNISSIAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

3 CHAIRMAN KNABE, DISTINGUISHED HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LOS

4 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THIS IS MY SECOND

5 APPEARANCE BEFORE YOU AFTER THE APRIL COMMEMORATIONS OF

6 ARMENIAN GENOCIDE, FOR WHICH I TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK

7 YOU AGAIN FOR THIS MUCH APPRECIATED GESTURE OF SOLIDARITY WITH

8 THE ARMENIANS. I EFFECTIVELY ASSUMED MY DUTIES AS ARMENIA'S

9 CONSUL GENERAL IN FEBRUARY, AND I'M PRIVILEGED TO BE

10 OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED BY THIS BOARD TODAY. FOR THE REPUBLIC OF

11 ARMENIA, THERE'S POLITICAL REPRESENTATION TO THE UNITED STATES

12 IN WASHINGTON THROUGH OUR EMBASSY, BUT WE APPRECIATE AND GIVE

13 MUCH IMPORTANCE TO THE CONSULATE GENERAL IN LOS ANGELES,

14 PRIMARILY DUE TO THE FACT THAT WE HAVE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS

15 OF OUR COMPATRIOTS, ARMENIANS LIVING IN THIS HOSPITABLE LAND

16 OF WHICH MANY ARE ARMENIAN NATIONALS. SO THE CHALLENGE OF

17 PROVIDING SERVICES AND REACHING OUT TO THIS COMMUNITY IS

18 TREMENDOUS, AS IS THE POTENTIAL FOR DEVELOPING U.S.-ARMENIAN,

19 U.S.-CALIFORNIA RELATIONS TO WHICH THE ARMENIAN POPULATION IS

20 A VECTOR. TODAY, AS A COUNTRY, WE'RE OVERCOMING THE POST-

21 INDEPENDENCE HARDSHIPS AND TURBULENT YEARS. WE'RE READY AND

22 WILLING TO BECOME A RELIABLE PARTNER TO THE U.S. AND EXPAND

23 OUR COOPERATION IN VARIOUS FIELDS, INCLUDING THE ECONOMY,

24 TRADE, CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGES. TODAY I WOULD LIKE

25 TO ASSURE YOU THAT DURING MY TENURE, I'LL DO THE UTMOST TO



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1 CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION OF THESE  
2 RELATIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT WE'D LIKE TO -- WE'RE GOING TO HAVE  
5 PRESENTATIONS TO OUR PRESCHOOL TEACHERS OF THE YEAR. WE'RE  
6 GOING TO ASK THEM TO JOIN US FROM THE VARIOUS DISTRICTS THAT  
7 ARE UP HERE. THIS AWARD WAS CREATED BY OUR LAUP PROGRAM WHICH  
8 IS THE LOS ANGELES UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL PROGRAM TO BRING  
9 ATTENTION TO THE OFTEN UNSUNG WORK THAT THESE PRESCHOOL  
10 TEACHERS PERFORM IN PREPARING OUR CHILDREN FOR KINDERGARTEN  
11 AND BEYOND. MARY VALOS IS HERE TODAY REPRESENTING LAUP. AND I  
12 WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS TIME TO THANK HER AND EVERYONE AT LAUP  
13 FOR THEIR CONTINUED HARD WORK OF THIS GREAT PROGRAM. THESE SIX  
14 HONOREES WERE SELECTED FROM AN OUTSTANDING GROUP OF PRESCHOOL  
15 TEACHERS FROM ACROSS OUR GREAT COUNTY. AND EACH IS AN  
16 OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR. I WILL START BY INTRODUCING THE TWO  
17 HONOREES FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT FOLLOWED BY MY COLLEAGUES.  
18 FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO ASK CLAUDIA GUZMAN MENDOZA TO JOIN  
19 ME. CLAUDIA OPERATES A VERY SUCCESSFUL PRESCHOOL OUT OF HER  
20 HOME RIGHT ACROSS THE STREET FROM ROLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN  
21 ROLAND HEIGHTS. SHE CONSISTENTLY MEETS OR EXCEEDS LAUP'S  
22 STRINGENT STANDARDS FOR LEARNING, CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT, AND  
23 HAS BEEN A MENTOR TO 57 STUDENT TEACHERS OVER THE PAST FOUR  
24 YEARS AT MT. SAC AND AT OUR HACIENDA ADULT EDUCATION SCHOOL.  
25 HER PASSION AND DEDICATION TO TEACHING IS AN ABSOLUTE



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1   INSPIRATION TO EVERYONE. CLAUDIA? [APPLAUSE.] COME ON UP HERE  
2   AND JOIN ME MARIA. VALERIE SUHU IS A SPECIAL EDUCATION  
3   PRESCHOOL TEACHER IN THE TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT,  
4   WORKING WITH PRESCHOOLERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS PRESENTS  
5   CHALLENGES. BUT WHAT IMPRESSED US MOST ABOUT VALERIE IS THAT  
6   SHE TRULY RELISHES NOT ONLY TEACHING YOUNG CHILDREN BUT  
7   LEARNING FROM THEM, AS WELL. SO VALERIE, PLEASE JOIN US.  
8   [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU HAVE SOME  
9   PRESENTATIONS.

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11   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN AND  
12   COLLEAGUES. I'M DELIGHTED TO BE ABLE TO CALL FORWARD CHRISTINE  
13   LISLE OF CULVER CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT'S OFFICE OF CHILD  
14   DEVELOPMENT. WE CALL HER FORTH BECAUSE OF THE EXTRAORDINARY  
15   WORK LAUP HAS DONE. AND THIS IS CLEARLY AN EFFORT DEDICATED TO  
16   OFFERING AN AFFORDABLE AND QUALITY PRESCHOOL EXPERIENCE TO  
17   EVERY FOUR-YEAR-OLD IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THEY WORK  
18   WITH MORE THAN 300 PRESCHOOL PROVIDERS IN THEIR NETWORK. AND  
19   HERE WE HAVE CHRISTINE, WHO BEGAN HER CAREER TEACHING AT THE  
20   CULVER CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THIS PARTICULAR OFFICE  
21   OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN 1979. SHE RECEIVED HER ASSOCIATE'S  
22   DEGREE FROM SANTA MONICA COLLEGE, AND HER BACHELOR'S IN EARLY  
23   CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT FROM CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE. NOT ONLY DOES  
24   SHE FACILITATE CLASSROOM LEARNING, SHE ALSO SUPPORTS PARENTS  
25   AND FAMILIES THROUGH HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS. SHE CONDUCTS



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1 INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS FOR HER COLLEAGUES AND MENTORS AND  
2 TRAINS COLLEGE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH AN INTEREST IN  
3 EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION. THIS ESSENTIALLY IS THE ESSENCE OF  
4 PREVENTION. SHE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN DEVELOPING THE CULVER CITY  
5 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT'S PRESCHOOL LANGUAGE ARTS CONTENT  
6 STANDARDS FOR THE OFFICE OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT. SHE HAS ALSO  
7 SERVED AS THE HEALTH AND SAFETY REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE OFFICE  
8 IN ADDITION TO SERVING AS THE UNION REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE  
9 CERTIFIED OR THE CERTIFICATED STAFF. IT'S WITH GREAT PLEASURE  
10 THAT I PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO CHRISTINE AS SHE HAS BEEN  
11 SELECTED AS ONE OF THE 2009 PRESCHOOL TEACHERS OF THE YEAR BY  
12 THE LOS ANGELES UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL, LAUP. CHRISTINE, WE THANK  
13 YOU FOR YOUR PROGRAMS AND YOUR SERVICE. [APPLAUSE.]

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. WE HAVE THE LAUP  
18 PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR IN OUR DISTRICT IS ANGELA  
19 GLUXMAN. ANGELA? [APPLAUSE.] ANGELA HAS BEEN TEACHING  
20 PRESCHOOL AT NESTLE AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN TARZANA FOR  
21 TWO YEARS. PRIOR TO COMING TO THAT SCHOOL, SHE TAUGHT PRIVATE  
22 PRESCHOOL FOR TWO YEARS, RECEIVED HER BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN  
23 PSYCHOLOGY FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO, AND HER MASTER'S  
24 DEGREE IN DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY FROM CLAREMONT GRADUATE  
25 UNIVERSITY. SHE ALSO TEACHES CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH AT





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1 PIERCE COLLEGE. ANGELA IS COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING.  
2 THIS IS SEEN THROUGH HER OUTSTANDING LESSONS, POSITIVE  
3 RELATIONSHIPS WITH CHILDREN AND PARENTS AND HER COMMUNITY  
4 ENGAGEMENT. SHE HAS INITIATED INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE  
5 BOOK SHARE PROGRAM THAT ASSISTS PARENTS WITH BOOKS AND MINI  
6 LESSON PLANS TO WORK ON AT HOME WITH THEIR CHILDREN. SHE  
7 ENJOYS TEACHING PRESCHOOLERS BECAUSE THEY ARE, AS SHE SAYS, SO  
8 FULL OF LIFE AND LOVE TO LEARN. SHE UNDERSTANDS THE IMPORTANCE  
9 PRESCHOOL PLAYS IN A CHILD'S LIFE AND STRIVES TO MAKE SURE  
10 THAT EACH CHILD ENJOYS HIS OR HER FIRST YEAR OF SCHOOL AND IS  
11 PREPARED FOR KINDERGARTEN. ANGELA IS A MODEL LAUP TEACHER AND  
12 TODAY IS RECOGNIZED FOR HER OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN EARLY  
13 CHILDHOOD EDUCATION. CONGRATULATIONS, ANGELA. [APPLAUSE.]

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, OUR HONOREE FROM THE FIFTH  
18 DISTRICT IS LISA ALONZO WHO IS SITE SUPERVISOR AND LEAD  
19 TEACHER FOR CHARTER OAK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. SHE MAKES  
20 EVERY EFFORT TO INVOLVE THE ENTIRE FAMILY IN HER LEARNING  
21 EXPERIENCE FOR THE CHILDREN. SHE BRINGS IN OUTSIDE AGENCIES TO  
22 GET THE CHILDREN MOTIVATED ABOUT LEARNING, INCLUDING MUSIC IN  
23 MOTION, THE ZOO MOBILE AND THE AQUARIUM ON WHEELS. SHE ALSO  
24 TAKES THE CHILDREN ON FIELD TRIPS TO THE LIBRARIES, THE POLICE  
25 AND FIRE STATIONS. SHE'S ALSO BEEN WORKING WITH PRESCHOOL AND



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1 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHILDREN DURING THE PAST 10 YEARS, THE LAST  
2 FIVE AT LAUP'S PRESCHOOL SITE IN COVINA. HER DEGREE IS IN  
3 CHILDHOOD ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT FROM CALIFORNIA STATE  
4 UNIVERSITY FULLERTON AND HER MASTER'S IS FROM THE UNIVERSITY  
5 OF LAVERNE. DURING HER LAST YEAR OF GRADUATE SCHOOL, SHE  
6 BECAME THE SUPERVISOR AND LEAD TEACHER FOR LAUP. SO  
7 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, I'M GOING TO ASK SUPERVISOR MOLINA  
10 TO SAY A COUPLE OF WORDS. HER TEACHER WAS UNABLE TO MAKE BUT  
11 BUT I KNOW SHE WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS. SUPERVISOR  
12 MOLINA?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. (OFF MIC). EXCUSE ME. I, TOO,  
15 WANT TO JOIN, EVEN THOUGH MARIA LEON IS NOT HERE IN  
16 CONGRATULATING HER AS THE ANNUAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR. SHE  
17 BEGAN HER EDUCATIONAL CAREER IN 1989 AS AN INSTRUCTIONAL AID  
18 IN POMONA. IN '93 SHE JOINED THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER AT  
19 MOUNT SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE. THEN SHE REJOINED WHICH IS THE  
20 BANDFILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AS AN ACTUAL TEACHER. SHORTLY  
21 THEREAFTER, MISS LEON JOINED THE ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
22 HEAD START PRESCHOOL PROGRAM, AND IN 2006 SHE WAS ASKED TO  
23 PARTICIPATE IN A PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE PREKINDERGARTEN LEVEL,  
24 THE PROGRAM LATER KNOWN AS LOS ANGELES UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL, OR  
25 LAUP. MARIA CONTINUES TO TOUCH COUNTLESS LIVES OVER THE COURSE



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1 OF HER TEACHING CAREER. WE CERTAINLY ARE VERY PROUD OF HER AND  
2 WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE HER AND HOPEFULLY, MARIA, YOU CAN  
3 PRESENT THIS CERTIFICATE TO HER AND CONGRATULATE HER ON BEHALF  
4 OF THE ENTIRE BOARD.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GIVE HER A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE.

11 [APPLAUSE.] I AM GOING TO ASK OUR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF  
12 SCHOOLS, DR. DARLENE ROBLES, TO SAY A FEW WORDS. SHE IS A  
13 MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LAUP. AFTER THAT I  
14 WOULD ASK MY COLLEAGUES TO JOIN ME WITH A TEAM PHOTO UP HERE  
15 WITH ALL OUR RECIPIENTS AND BOARD MEMBERS.

16

17 **DARLENE ROBLES:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN KNABE. I ALSO WANT TO  
18 ACKNOWLEDGE THE GREAT WORK OF LOS ANGELES UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL  
19 AND THEIR EFFORT TO ENSURE THAT ALL FOUR-YEAR OLDS HAVE A  
20 QUALITY PRESCHOOL EXPERIENCE. BUT WE ALL KNOW WE COULDN'T DO  
21 IT WITHOUT THE OUTSTANDING WORK OF THE TEACHERS THAT WE'RE  
22 HONORING TODAY. AS PART OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE, ALONG WITH  
23 SUPERVISOR KNABE, IT WAS VERY DIFFICULT IN REVIEWING THE  
24 APPLICANTS BECAUSE THERE WERE SO MANY WORTHY CANDIDATES. BUT  
25 TODAY WHAT WE HAVE ARE THE BEST OF THE BEST. SO, AGAIN,



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1 CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH OF OUR TEACHERS OF THE YEAR. THEY ARE  
2 ABSOLUTELY INCREDIBLE. AND, AGAIN, WANT TO AGAIN THANK LAUP  
3 FOR RECOGNIZING OUR PRESCHOOL TEACHERS OF THE YEAR. THANK YOU.  
4 [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MIKE, ZEV, GLORIA, MARK IF YOU'D JOIN US  
7 OVER HERE, PLEASE. CONGRATULATIONS, YOU TRULY ARE THE BEST OF  
8 THE BEST. INCREDIBLE NOMINEES. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN AND  
11 COLLEAGUES. WE HAVE A VERY SPECIAL PRESENTATION TO MAKE THIS  
12 MORNING. AND WE'RE PLEASED TO HAVE WITH US ALLISON IRAHETA,  
13 WHO IS HERE AS A FINALIST IN THE "AMERICAN IDOL" CONTEST. LET  
14 ME JUST SAY A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT ALLISON. 17 YEARS OLD,  
15 BORN IN GLENDALE. ACCORDING TO HER PARENTS, SHE'S BEEN SINGING  
16 SINCE SHE WAS A TODDLER. SHE ATTENDS GREEN DOT'S ANIMO RALPH  
17 BUNCHE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. GIVE THEM A  
18 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] ALLISON HAS A SISTER WHO  
19 TEACHES AT BUNCHE. HER FATHER IS EMPLOYED THERE, AS WELL. GIVE  
20 THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. WE'RE DELIGHTED FOR THEM TO BE  
21 HERE, AS WELL. [APPLAUSE.] IN 2006 SHE WON THE TELEMUNDO  
22 REALITY SHOW WITH THE QUINCEANERA WHERE SHE SANG BOTH IN  
23 ENGLISH AND IN SPANISH. SHE AUDITIONED FOR THE EIGHTH SEASON  
24 OF THE "AMERICAN IDOL" IN SAN FRANCISCO. SHE ADVANCED INTO THE  
25 SELECTION OF THE TOP 13 VOCALISTS FOR THE SHOW. SHE ESCALATED



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1 TO BECOME THE SOLE FEMALE VOCALIST AS ONE OF THE TOP FOUR  
2 FINALISTS BEFORE THAT TIME OF BEING ELIMINATED. HER GENRES OF  
3 MUSIC, INCLUDING ROCK, PUNK ROCK, ALTERNATIVE ROCK AND POP.  
4 SHE PLAYS THE GUITAR. SHE'S AN ACTIVE STUDENT. SHE LOVES  
5 ANIMALS. AND SHE LOVES RUNNING. SHE'S COMPLETED THE L.A.  
6 MARATHON TWICE. SHE SUPPORTS PADRES CONTRA EL CANCER, PARENTS  
7 FIGHTING CANCER. SHE WORKS WITH CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN  
8 HOLLYWOOD AND ROLLS BREAST CANCER SOCIETY. SHE'S SOON TO BEGIN  
9 THE "AMERICAN IDOL" 2009 SUMMER TOUR AS ONE OF THE TOP 10  
10 "AMERICAN IDOL" FINALISTS TO GO ON TO A 50-CITY TOUR BEGINNING  
11 JULY THE FIFTH. AND WE WANT TO MAKE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE FACT  
12 THAT SHE HAS PERFORMED IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE COUNTY, NOT THE  
13 LEAST OF WHICH IS THE FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. SHE'S MADE  
14 HER MARK THERE, AS WELL. AND IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I  
15 PRESENT THIS SCROLL ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRETY OF THE BOARD TO  
16 YOU, ALLISON. OUR VERY OWN "AMERICAN IDOL" FOR YOUR  
17 ACCOMPLISHMENT OF BECOMING ONE OF THE TOP FOUR "AMERICAN IDOL"  
18 FINALISTS. AND WE WISH YOU THE VERY BEST IN ALL OF YOUR  
19 ENDEAVORS. LET'S GIVE HER A HUGE ROUND OF APPLAUSE.  
20 [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **ALLISON IRAHETA:** HELLO. I'M PRETTY BAD AT SPEAKING, SO I JUST  
23 REALLY WANT TO SAY THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HAVING ME AND GIVING  
24 ME THIS AWESOME OPPORTUNITY TO BE JUST HERE WITH YOU GUYS. AND  
25 ALSO -- THIS MIC'S WEIRD, SORRY. THANKS FOR THE SUPPORT. JUST,





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1 YOU KNOW, THANK YOU. THANK YOU SO MUCH. SEE ANIMO AROUND  
2 THERE, RIGHT? ALL RIGHT. SO JUST, AGAIN, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR  
3 THE SUPPORT AND EVERYTHING. THANKS. [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ANOTHER BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR ALLISON  
6 IRAHETA, OUR ONLY "AMERICAN IDOL" FINALIST. [APPLAUSE.]

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I JUST WANT EVERYONE TO KNOW SHE'S FROM  
9 DOWNEY, THAT'S THE FOURTH DISTRICT.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME JUST MAKE IT PLAIN.  
12 SHE WAS BORN IN GLENDALE, WHICH IS CLEARLY THE FIFTH DISTRICT.  
13 [LAUGHTER.] SHE'S PERFORMED IN PARTS OF THE FIRST DISTRICT.  
14 MR. KNABE, OUR CHAIRMAN, MAKES THE ASSERTION, UNSUBSTANTIATED  
15 THOUGH IT MAY BE, THAT SHE HAS SOME ROOTS IN THE FOURTH  
16 DISTRICT. SUBSTANTIATION IS FROM HER.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND MR. YAROSLAVSKY, IS THERE A CLAIM THAT  
19 YOU WISH TO MAKE?

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** PARDON ME?

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** EVERYBODY IS SAYING THAT THIS YOUNG LADY  
24 IS PART OF THEIR DISTRICT. AND THE ONLY THING I KNOW IS THAT  
25 ANIMO BUNCHE CHARTER SCHOOL IS WHERE? IN THE SECOND DISTRICT.



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1 ARE THEY IN THE HOUSE? ALL RIGHT. SO THEN WE ALL TAKE PRIDE IN  
2 THIS YOUNG LADY'S ACHIEVEMENTS. LET'S GIVE HER ANOTHER BIG  
3 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. YES MR. YAROSLAVSKY NEEDS A TUTORIAL ON  
4 WHAT "AMERICAN IDOL" IS, HE SELF PROCLAIMS. SHALL WE INVITE  
5 CHIEF CECIL RHAMBO, COMMANDER KEVIN GORAN, COMMANDER JAMES  
6 LOPEZ, COMMANDER ART NG, CAPTAIN BILL RYAN, LIEUTENANT VAL  
7 ROSARIO, LIEUTENANT ANTHONY LUCIA, AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES  
8 MANAGER JOVIE HOUGH IN THE HOUSE. THESE ARE THEY WHO ARE  
9 RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT WE NOW KNOW AS GIFTS FOR GUNS HERE IN THE  
10 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. PLEASE GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF  
11 APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] MR. CHAIRMAN, YOU'LL WANT TO KNOW THAT  
12 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DEVELOPED THE  
13 CONCEPT FOR THE GIFTS FOR GUNS PROGRAM IN 2005 AS AN INCENTIVE  
14 FOR INDIVIDUALS TO ANONYMOUSLY SURRENDER FIREARMS IN EXCHANGE  
15 FOR GIFT CARDS. THE GIFT CARDS COULD BE REDEEMED AT LOCAL  
16 RETAIL STORES SUCH AS RALPH'S, VON'S, BEST BUY, STATER  
17 BROTHERS AND TARGET. SHORTLY AFTER TAKING MY OATH AS ONE OF  
18 YOUR COLLEAGUES IN DECEMBER OF LAST YEAR, I COSPONSORED TWO  
19 RATHER EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL GIFTS FOR GUNS COLLECTIONS IN THE  
20 COMMUNITIES OF COMPTON AND LENNOX. AT THAT TIME, IN THOSE TWO  
21 COMMUNITIES ALONE, OVER 1,800 GUNS AND 3,700 SEPARATE ROUNDS  
22 OF AMMUNITION WERE COLLECTED. IT IS THE CASE THAT WITHOUT  
23 QUESTION THAT DUE TO THE SUCCESS OF THE PROGRAMS INITIALLY IN  
24 COMPTON AND THEN IN LENNOX, THIS VALUABLE PROGRAM NEEDED TO BE  
25 EXPANDED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND THESE



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1 INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR COLLEAGUES AT THE RESPECTIVE STATIONS  
2 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY STEPPED UP TO THE PLATE TO MAKE THAT  
3 HAPPEN. AND SO I'M PROUD TO HAVE WORKED WITH THE SHERIFF, ALL  
4 OF THE PERSONNEL HERE AND MORE. YOU'LL RECALL, MR. CHAIRMAN,  
5 THE GOVERNOR CAME OUT TO WORK WITH US IN THIS PURSUIT AT THE  
6 SHERIFF'S HEADQUARTERS. AND MANY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
7 AS WELL, HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE ROLLOUT IN THEIR RESPECTIVE  
8 COMMUNITIES. ALL FIVE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS HAVE  
9 PARTICIPATED. AND SO WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT HOW WE ARE ADVANCING  
10 PUBLIC SAFETY, HOW WE ARE FIGHTING CRIME, WE ARE DOING IT  
11 THROUGH A VARIETY OF APPROACHES, NOT LIMITED TO ONE FORM OR  
12 ANOTHER. THIS IS NOT A ONE DIMENSIONAL DEPARTMENT; IT IS A  
13 MULTIFACETED WAY OF FIGHTING CRIME AND, INDEED, PREVENTING  
14 CRIME. AND SO WE THANK THEM FOR THEIR WORK. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE  
15 CONTRIBUTIONS THAT THEY HAVE MADE AND CONTINUE TO MAKE TO THE  
16 QUALITY OF LIFE AND THE SAFETY OF THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF  
17 LOS ANGELES. AND SO WE MAKE THESE PRESENTATIONS TO THE  
18 LEADERSHIP OF THIS TEAM AND THE TEAM IN ITS ENTIRETY WITH A  
19 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. AND THANKS TO CHIEF RHAMBO AND THE  
20 ENTIRETY OF THOSE SO INVOLVED. [APPLAUSE.] CHIEF?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AS YOU'RE PRESENTING THE SCROLLS,  
23 SUPERVISOR, AS YOU MENTIONED, WE ALL PARTICIPATED IN SOME OF  
24 THOSE ROLLOUTS. I WAS OUT THERE IN NORWALK, ABSOLUTELY  
25 PHENOMENAL PROGRAM IN THE WAY PEOPLE WERE COMING UP, TURNING



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1 IN GUNS. SOME VERY THANKFUL TO GET RID OF THEM, SOME I THINK  
2 HAD TEARS IN THEIR EYES. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY, IT WAS AN  
3 INCREDIBLY SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. KNABE. LET'S ACKNOWLEDGE  
6 CHIEF CECIL RHAMBO. CHIEF? [APPLAUSE.] KEVIN GORAN, SIR. BIG  
7 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] JAMES LOPEZ. [APPLAUSE.] ARTHUR  
8 NG. [APPLAUSE.] BILL RYAN. [APPLAUSE.] VALENTINE ROSARIO.  
9 [APPLAUSE.] ANTHONY LUCIA. [APPLAUSE.] AND JOVIE HOUGH. GIVE  
10 THEM ALL A HUGE ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **CECIL RHAMBO:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. AND THANK YOU FOR  
13 APPRECIATING WHAT WE'RE DOING OUT THERE. AND REALLY TO THE  
14 ENTIRE BOARD. REALLY THIS IS A WAY FOR US TO DO A COMMUNITY  
15 COLLABORATIVE, IF NOT FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS IN  
16 BRINGING THE WEAPONS IN, IT GIVES US AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK  
17 REALLY WITH YOU IN A PARTNERSHIP TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE HERE  
18 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IN PARTICULAR, SUPERVISOR THOMAS, THANK  
19 YOU FOR SUPPORTING US IN THIS ENDEAVOR SO VIGOROUSLY. AND ALL  
20 THE SUPERVISORS ARE OUT AT OUR PRESS CONFERENCES, AND WE  
21 REALLY, REALLY APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT. THIS ENDEAVOR IS NOT AN  
22 EASY TASK. IT MAY SEEM EASY ON THE OUTSIDE, JUST TO COME IN  
23 AND DRIVE AND DROP YOUR WEAPONS OFF. BUT THE TEAM YOU SEE  
24 BEHIND ME REALLY PUT IN A LOT OF LONG HOURS TO PLAN THIS EVENT  
25 OVER AN EIGHT-WEEK PERIOD. IN PARTICULAR, JOVIE HOUGH HAD TO



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1 ACCOUNT FOR ALL THE GIFT CARDS AND THE MONEY AND THINGS THAT  
2 WE DO. SO IT'S KIND OF A TV PRODUCTION WHERE ALL YOU SEE IS  
3 THE FINISHED PRODUCT BUT BEHIND THE SCENES THERE'S A LOT OF  
4 WORK GOING ON. WE REALLY, I WANT TO THANK PERSONALLY MY  
5 COLLEAGUES FOR HELPING ME MAKE THIS A SUCCESS AND THANK YOU,  
6 GUYS, FOR APPRECIATING WHAT WE ARE DOING OUT THERE. THANK YOU.  
7 [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT IT, MARK? MARK, IS THAT IT?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT IS, SIR.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THE CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL  
16 AQUATICS PROGRAM TO COME UP HERE. WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THEM AND  
17 HONORED TO HAVE THEM HERE THIS MORNING. THEY'VE ALREADY BEEN  
18 UP SIX HOURS. THEY'VE DONE THEIR THREE-HOUR WORKOUT THIS  
19 MORNING. THEY'RE GOING TO GET READY TO DO THEIR AFTERNOON  
20 WORKOUT, RIGHT? WHILE THEY'RE SETTING UP, LET ME JUST BEGIN BY  
21 SAYING WE'RE WELCOMING CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL OF RESEDA IN THE  
22 GREAT THIRD DISTRICT, ALONG WITH THEIR SWIM AND DIVING TEAM,  
23 WATER POLO TEAMS, HEAD COACH TERESA FRIAS AND THE CLEVELAND  
24 HIGH SCHOOL CAVALIERS BOYS' AND GIRLS' SWIM AND DIVE TEAMS FOR  
25 WINNING THIS YEAR'S CITY CHAMPIONSHIP. [APPLAUSE.] WHEATCROFT,





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1 THAT'S YOUR ALMA MATER? WHY DON'T YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE IN AS  
2 GOOD AS SHAPE AS THEY ARE? THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO KNOW. BOTH  
3 THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' VARSITY SWIM AND DIVE TEAMS SWEEP THIS  
4 YEAR'S COMPETITION TO WIN THE L.A. CITY CHAMPIONSHIP, ENDING  
5 PALISADE'S HIGH SCHOOL'S THREE-YEAR REIGN AS GIRLS' CHAMPION.  
6 PALISADES IS ALSO IN THE THIRD DISTRICT, SO WE TREAT THEM WITH  
7 GREAT RESPECT. THEY HAD THEIR TURN. NOW IT'S YOUR TURN. I'M  
8 SURE THEY'LL HAVE THEIR TURN SOMETIME IN THE FUTURE, TOO.  
9 CLEVELAND'S SWEEP ALSO MARKS THE FIRST TIME SINCE PALISADES IN  
10 2003 WHEN ONE SCHOOL TEAM CAPTURED BOTH THE BOYS' AND GIRLS'  
11 TITLES. THE CLEVELAND CAVALIERS ARE FAMILIAR WITH WINNING  
12 TITLES. THE BOYS WON THE C.I.F. CITY SECTION TITLE IN SWIMMING  
13 IN 2006, 2007, 2008 AND AGAIN IN 2009. THE GIRLS WON THE SAME  
14 TITLE IN 2004, 2005 AND 2009. THE GIRLS' WATER POLO TEAM JUST  
15 ONE THEIR C.I.F. CITY SECTION TITLE THIS YEAR AS WELL. THEIR  
16 COACH, TERESA FRIAS HAS GUIDED CLEVELAND CAVALIERS TO SEVEN  
17 CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS IN THE PAST SIX SEASONS, AND HAS TWICE BEEN  
18 HONORED AS THE BEST SWIM COACH IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. WE  
19 WANT TO COULD THE CONGRATULATE THE CLEVELAND CAVALIERS' BOYS'  
20 AND GIRLS' SWIM AND DIVE TEAM. WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE COACH  
21 FRIAS. CLEVELAND'S GOT A GREAT SWIM AND DIVE TEAM. IT ALSO HAS  
22 A LOT OF OTHER GREAT THINGS. GREAT ACADEMICALLY, HAS A GREAT  
23 SPEECH AND DEBATE PROGRAM. I KNOW THAT MY SON WENT TO MONROE,  
24 AND CLEVELAND WAS THE TOUGHEST COMPETITION THEY HAD IN THE  
25 SPEECH AND DEBATE PROGRAM. AND WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THE GREAT



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1 WORK THAT THE SCHOOL DOES ACADEMICALLY AS WELL AS  
2 ATHLETICALLY. SO LET'S GIVE ALL OF THESE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN A  
3 GREAT ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THEIR GREAT SUCCESS. [APPLAUSE.]  
4 SO WE'RE GOING TO PRESENT ONE PROCLAMATION SIGNED BY ALL FIVE  
5 OF US, ALL FIVE SUPERVISORS. TO THE BOYS' VARSITY SWIM AND  
6 DIVE TEAM, WHO'S THE CAPTAIN? WHAT YOUR NAME? ALIKA BAUTISTA.  
7 COME ON OVER HERE, ALIKE. WE WILL PRESENT THIS TO YOU ON  
8 BEHALF OF THE TEAM. ALL RIGHT, WE WILL LEAVE THE COACH FOR  
9 LAST. THE GIRLS' WATER POLO TEAM, ARE THEY REPRESENTED HERE?  
10 CAPTAIN? CAPTAIN OF THE 2009 CITY CHAMPION GIRLS' WATER POLO  
11 TEAM. WHAT IS YOUR NAME? SARAH HOUGH. THE GIRLS' VARSITY SWIM  
12 AND DIVE TEAM 2009 CITY CHAMPIONS, THE CAPTAIN, CHRISTINA  
13 CHOY. CHRISTINA IS GOING TO BERKELEY, CAL BERKELEY. AND LAST  
14 BUT NOT LEAST, I WANT TO CALL, WHERE IS COACH FRIAS? I CAN'T  
15 SEE WITHOUT MY GLASSES. COME ON UP HERE. YOU LOOK LIKE ONE OF  
16 THE TEAM MEMBERS. [APPLAUSE.] YOU KNOW, SOME OF THE HIGH  
17 SCHOOL COACHES IN THIS CITY, FOOTBALL, ESPECIALLY BASKETBALL,  
18 GET A LOT OF ATTENTION. BUT I DON'T THINK ANYBODY, EVEN IN THE  
19 CITY BASKETBALL PROGRAMS, HAVE THE KIND OF RECORD THAT YOU  
20 HAVE ACHIEVED AT CLEVELAND OVER THESE LAST SEVEN YEARS, SEVEN  
21 OR EIGHT YEARS, HOWEVER LONG YOU HAVE BEEN OVER THERE? IT'S A  
22 REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT. THE STUDENT ATHLETES ARE GREAT. BUT,  
23 FRANKLY, WE ALL KNOW THAT IT'S THE COACHES THAT BRING THE BEST  
24 OUT OF THESE ATHLETES. AND I THINK IT SPEAKS VOLUMES FOR THE  
25 SUCCESS THAT YOU'VE HAD AT CLEVELAND. AND WE WANT TO



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1 CONGRATULATE YOU, COACH TERESA FRIAS, ON THIS GREAT  
2 ACHIEVEMENT THIS YEAR. [APPLAUSE.] YES, OF COURSE. HOWEVER YOU  
3 WANT TO DO IT.

4

5 **CHRISTINA CHOY:** HI, I'M CHRISTINA AND I AM CO-CAPTAIN OF THE  
6 VARSITY GIRLS' SWIM TEAM. AND I JUST WANTED TO THANK THE CITY  
7 COUNCIL FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY. IT'S REALLY EXCITING FOR ALL  
8 OF US. AND AS A SENIOR, IT'S JUST BEEN AN HONOR TO HAVE BEEN A  
9 PART OF THIS TEAM. AND I KNOW I SPEAK FOR ALL THE SWIMMERS  
10 HERE WHEN WE SAY THAT WE ARE SO GRATEFUL TO HAVE THE POSITIVE  
11 INFLUENCE OF COACH FRIAS AND TO HAVE HAD EACH OTHER. BECAUSE  
12 WE WORKED SO HARD THIS YEAR. AND I KNOW THEY'LL BE WORKING  
13 EVEN HARDER THIS NEXT SEASON. SO MAYBE THEY'LL BE BACK HERE  
14 NEXT YEAR. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **ALIKA BAUTISTA:** I'M ALIKA BAUTISTA. I STARTED ON THE SWIM TEAM  
17 NINTH GRADE, I GUESS. YEAH, I'VE BEEN WITH COACH FOR THE PAST  
18 FOUR YEARS. IT WAS A REAL FUN EXPERIENCE. AND I HOPE ALL THE  
19 NEW COMING ONES WILL HAVE THE SAME EXPERIENCE THAT I HAD.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHERE ARE YOU GOING TO COLLEGE?

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23 **ALIKE BAUTISTA:** U.C. RIVERSIDE.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** GOOD FOR YOU. CONGRATULATIONS [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SARAH HOUGH:** I'M SARAH, I'M CAPTAIN OF WATER POLO. AND I WOULD  
3 LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE FOR HAVING US HERE. AND CLEVELAND HAS  
4 SUCH A GOOD AQUATICS PROGRAM, AND I'M REALLY GRATEFUL TO BE IN  
5 IT. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **TERESA FRIAS:** I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR INVITING US  
8 HERE TO CELEBRATE THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS. THESE KIDS HAVE WORKED  
9 VERY HARD ALL YEAR LONG, AND I'M VERY PROUD OF THEM. THANK YOU  
10 FOR HAVING US HERE. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO CALL UP  
13 DAVID BLAND, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF LOS  
14 ANGELES. AND HE HAS A NUMBER OF ROTARIANS THAT HAVE JOINED  
15 HIM. THE ROTARY CLUB OF LOS ANGELES OR L.A. 5 IT IS KNOWN IS  
16 CELEBRATING THEIR 100TH YEAR AS A CLUB THIS YEAR. IT IS THE  
17 FIFTH OLDEST ROTARY CLUB OF OVER 32,000 ROTARY CLUBS WORLDWIDE  
18 AND HAS NEARLY 600 MEMBERS. OLYMPIA LA POINT, IN AN ARTICLE  
19 CHRONICLING THE HISTORY OF THE L.A. 5 CLUB, STATED THAT THE  
20 CLUB THRIVED DURING THE GREAT DEPRESSION BECAUSE ITS MEMBERS  
21 RECOGNIZED ONE KEY FACT: WORTH IS NOT DETERMINED BY MONEY IN  
22 BANK ACCOUNTS BUT RATHER BY THE CAPACITY FOR HUMANITARIANISM.  
23 THIS IS A KEY PRINCIPLE THAT IS EMBEDDED IN EVERY FABRIC FOR  
24 THE ROTARY CLUB TO THIS DAY. SOME OF L.A. 5'S MAJOR COMMUNITY  
25 PROJECTS INCLUDE THE CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S SOCIETY, ABILITY



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1 FIRST SUMMER CAMP CLEAN UP, THE ROTARY EYE RESCUE, WHICH IS A  
2 JOINT VENTURE WITH T.B.I. TISSUE BANK THAT PROVIDES CORNEAL  
3 TRANSPLANTS FOR LOW-INCOME BLIND INDIVIDUALS IN EL SALVADOR,  
4 L.A. 5 SCHOLARSHIPS, WHICH PROVIDE OVER \$200,000 IN  
5 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INNER CITY GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS. AS  
6 PART OF THIS CELEBRATION, THEY WILL BE MAKING A \$500,000  
7 CENTENNIAL LEGACY GIFT TO THE VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA OF GREATER  
8 LOS ANGELES TO ASSIST ON BEHALF OF THE HOMELESS HERE IN LOS  
9 ANGELES COUNTY. THIS IS THE SINGLE LARGEST GIFT IN THE HISTORY  
10 OF L.A. 5. THE \$500,000 PLEDGE FROM L.A. 5 CONSISTS OF  
11 \$150,000 FROM THE L.A. 5 FOUNDATION AND AN ADDITIONAL \$350,000  
12 THAT THE ROTARIANS HAVE RAISED WITH THE COMMUNITY. SO, DAVID,  
13 WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS ON A 100TH BIRTHDAY  
14 AND TO THE MEMBERS. THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE OVER  
15 THE PAST 100 YEARS, YOU AND YOUR FELLOW ROTARIANS. WE  
16 APPRECIATE IT. AND I KNOW THE CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY  
17 APPRECIATE IT. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **DAVID BLAND:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN KNABE AND ALL THE BOARD OF  
20 SUPERVISORS. WE'RE HONORED TO ACCEPT THIS RECOGNITION. AND WE  
21 HAVE GIVEN BACK IN OUR OWN WAY BY LIVING SERVICE ABOVE SELF.  
22 THAT'S THE MOTTO THAT WE LIVE UNDER. AS THE CHAIRMAN HAD NOW  
23 JUST MENTIONED, THREE OF OUR BIGGEST PROGRAMS THAT YOU MAY  
24 KNOW, CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S SOCIETY, THE DARE PROGRAM, AND  
25 ABILITY FIRST, WHICH IS NOW THE NAME OF THE CRIPPLED



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1 CHILDREN'S SOCIETY, AND ROTARY HOUSE, WHICH IS THE HOMELESS  
2 FULL TRANSITION CENTER THAT L.A. 5 HAS EMBARKED UPON. SO THIS  
3 ENDS, YES, 100 YEARS OF SERVICE ABOVE SELF, BUT ALSO BEGINS  
4 ANOTHER CENTURY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
5 AND OF COURSE THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AS WELL. THANK YOU VERY  
6 MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NOTICE WE HAVE A COUPLE OF OUR  
9 DEPARTMENT HEADS. OUR HEADS OF PARKS AND REC, RUSS GUINEY, AND  
10 THE HEAD OF OUR LIBRARIES, MARGARET DONNELLAN TODD, BOTH  
11 MEMBERS OF L.A. 5. I JUST WANTED TO POINT OUT TO HER FELLOW  
12 MEMBERS THAT MARGARET IS NOT WEARING HER PIN. [LAUGHTER.] SO  
13 SHE SHOULD BE FINED AT THE NEXT MEETING. ANYWAY, HAPPY  
14 BIRTHDAY. CONGRATULATIONS AND KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.  
15 [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE WELCOME FOR BEING FINED,  
18 MARGARET. AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO CALL UP BECKY BAIERS, WHO  
19 IS THE ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL OF PALOS VERDES HIGH SCHOOL,  
20 TEACHER RENE VELA AND STUDENTS FROM P.V. HIGH. EARLIER THIS  
21 YEAR, PALOS VERDES HIGH SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWS BROADCAST "LIVE  
22 FROM 205" WAS HONORED WITH AN AWARD OF EXCELLENCE AS THE BEST  
23 STUDENT WEEKLY NEWS SHOW IN THE NATION IN THE ANNUAL STUDENT  
24 TELEVISION NETWORK CONVENTION. P.V. HIGH COMPETED AGAINST OVER  
25 1,200 STUDENTS AND 162 HIGH SCHOOLS FROM 33 STATES. THIS IS





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1 THE THIRD YEAR IN A ROW THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED THIS HONOR. IN  
2 ADDITION, THE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS RECEIVED HONORS IN OTHER  
3 CATEGORIES, SUCH AS BROADCAST NEWS WRITING, DOCUMENTARY SPORTS  
4 FEATURE, ANCHORING AND PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS. S.T.N. IS  
5 MADE UP OF AFFILIATE SCHOOLS FROM ACROSS THE NATION WITH AN  
6 ACTIVE INTEREST IN FURTHERING SCHOLASTIC BROADCASTING AND  
7 VIDEO PRODUCTION. PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS THEY SUPPORT  
8 INCLUDE THE RADIO AND TELEVISION NEWS DIRECTORS' FOUNDATION,  
9 NATIONAL TELEVISION ACADEMY FOUNDATION, THE AMERICAN ACADEMY  
10 OF ARTS AND CHANNEL 1 NEWS. SO WE JUST WANT TO SAY ONCE AGAIN  
11 TO PALOS VERDES HIGH SCHOOL CONGRATULATIONS FOR THREE YEARS IN  
12 A ROW. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, YOUR ONGOING, INCREDIBLE PROGRAM  
13 THAT YOU PUT ON DOWN THERE. WE WANT TO WISH YOU THE VERY, VERY  
14 BEST IN YOUR CAREER, WHATEVER THAT CAREER THAT LEADS TO, BUT  
15 THIS IS QUITE AN HONOR FOR THE THIRD YEAR IN A ROW.  
16 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **RENE VELA:** MY NAME IS RENE VELA. I'M THE TEACHER OF "LIVE FROM  
19 205." AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO CHAIRMAN KNABE AND  
20 THE REST OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY ADMINISTRATORS, BECKY  
21 BAIERS AND BRETT EAGAN. THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US TONIGHT. A  
22 LOT OF MY STUDENTS ARE IN FINALS RIGHT NOW AND THEY COULDN'T  
23 BE THERE. BUT THESE GUYS SOMEHOW FIGURED OUT A WAY TO GET OUT  
24 OF CLASS. WE DO A LIVE SHOW TWICE A WEEK. I'M VERY PROUD TO  
25 SAY THAT THIS YEAR WE COMPLETED ABOUT 52 SHOWS LIVE WEDNESDAY



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1 AND FRIDAY FROM ROOM 205, HENCE OUR NAME, "LIVE FROM 205." AND  
2 I HAVE WRITERS, PRODUCERS, EDITORS, PHOTOGRAPHERS. AND IT IS A  
3 STUDENT-RUN PROGRAM AND THEY TAKE A LOT OF PRIDE IN WHAT THEY  
4 PRODUCE. I'D LIKE TO THANK THEM FOR A SUCCESSFUL YEAR AND FOR  
5 ALL OF YOU TODAY FOR RECOGNIZING US. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

6 [APPLAUSE.]

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU ARE UP  
9 FIRST. OH I'M SORRY. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. I APOLOGIZE.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO  
12 REPRESENT OUR TEACHERS OF THE YEAR. AND WE HAVE DR. DARLENE  
13 ROBLES ONCE AGAIN WHO WILL COME UP WITH ME. THESE ARE THE 2009  
14 CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
15 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, WHICH IS NOW IN ITS 24TH YEAR WHICH  
16 IDENTIFIES AND HONORS OUR STATE'S MOST EXEMPLARY AND INSPIRING  
17 PUBLIC SCHOOLS WITH THE CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL AWARD.  
18 PARTICIPATION IS VOLUNTARY. THE AWARD IS HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER.  
19 ALL APPLICANTS FROM PRIMARY TO SECONDARY UNDERWENT A RIGOROUS  
20 SELECTION PROCESS CONDUCTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
21 WITH THE HELP OF MANY LOCAL EDUCATORS FROM ACROSS THE STATE IN  
22 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS OF EDUCATIONAL  
23 SERVICES ASSOCIATION. ON THE 47 SCHOOLS IN OUR COUNTY THAT  
24 RECEIVED THIS PRESTIGIOUS AWARD, 14 ARE LOCATED IN THE FIFTH  
25 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. THESE REMARKABLE SCHOOLS HAVE SHOWN



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1 GREAT GAINS THAT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH HIGH EXPECTATIONS  
2 OF OUR CHILDREN AND THE INVOLVEMENT OF THEIR PARENTS. FROM THE  
3 BURBANK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT WE HAVE MARIO ROSOTE, JOHN  
4 BURLS HIGH SCHOOL. [APPLAUSE.] WE HAVE COVINA UNIFIED SCHOOL  
5 DISTRICT PRINCIPAL JUDITH NORTH FROM SOUTH HILLS HIGH SCHOOL.  
6 FROM THE SANTA MARINO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, DR. GARY WOODS,  
7 THE SUPERINTENDENT AND PRINCIPALS LAUREN CLINEROCK AND DR.  
8 GARY MCGULIAN, HENRY HUNTINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL AND LAUREN IS  
9 FROM SAN MARINO HIGH SCHOOL. [APPLAUSE.] FROM WILLIAM S. HART  
10 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IN SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, IS MICHELLE  
11 KRANTZ, RANCHO PICO JR. HIGH SCHOOL AND KATHERINE NICHOLAS AND  
12 SAM HAHN FROM ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS, AND LEE GATELY, TEACHER OF  
13 THE YEAR. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **MICHELLE KRANTZ:** MY NAME IS MICHELLE KRANTZ, I'M THE VERY  
16 PROUD PRINCIPAL OF RANCHO PICO JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL. AND I'D  
17 JUST LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE  
18 OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO RECOGNIZE SCHOOLS THAT DO INCREDIBLE  
19 THINGS. THERE IS INCREDIBLE LEARNING GOING ON IN LOS ANGELES  
20 COUNTY. AND I KNOW YOU'RE AWARE OF THAT. AND I INVITE  
21 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, ANY TIME YOU WANT TO COME TO OUR  
22 SCHOOL, WE WELCOME YOU TO COME SEE WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE  
23 CLASSROOMS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE AN ADOPTION. I HAVE LITTLE MILLIE. OH,  
2    IT'S A JOINT PRESENTATION. OH, OKAY, OKAY.

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4    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR  
5    ANTONOVICH, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THIS AREA. WE WISH TO JOIN  
6    IN ACKNOWLEDGING THOSE WHO, ACCORDING TO THE CALIFORNIA  
7    DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, HAVE DISTINGUISHED THEMSELVES. AND WE  
8    RECOGNIZE SIX SCHOOLS IN THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT  
9    BECAUSE THEY ARE INDEED DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS. THESE SCHOOLS  
10   ARE TO BE COMMENDED FOR MEETING THE CRITERIA, THE HARD WORK  
11   AND DEDICATION OF ALL OF THE EDUCATORS, STAFF, STUDENTS,  
12   PARENTS. AND WE HOPE THAT IN THE YEARS TO COME, THERE WILL BE  
13   MORE THAT ARE SELECTED AS CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS.  
14   BUT FOR NOW, WE CELEBRATE THE HAWTHORNE MATH AND SCIENCE  
15   ACADEMY. THE PRINCIPAL IS JOAQUIN HERNANDEZ. AND WE TAKE THIS  
16   OPPORTUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK AND TO CONGRATULATE  
17   HAWTHORNE MATH AND SCIENCE ACADEMY. MR. HERNANDEZ? THANK YOU,  
18   SIR. AND WE WISH TO ACKNOWLEDGE OUR HONORABLE SCHOOL BOARD  
19   MEMBER, ALEXANDRA MONTIERA. GIVE THEM BOTH A BIG ROUND OF  
20   APPLAUSE. HAWTHORNE IS IN THE HOUSE. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU.  
21   JANE ADDAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT JOE CONDON  
22   AS WELL AS DR. ELLEN DOUGHERTY, THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT.  
23   WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK TO BE DISTINGUISHED AMONG SCHOOLS  
24   IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. WE PRESENT THIS PROUDLY ON BEHALF  
25   OF ALL OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT



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1 TO JANE ADDAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL. GREEN DOT ANIMO PAT BROWN  
2 CHARTER SCHOOL IS IN THE HOUSE. AND WE'RE DELIGHTED TO HAVE  
3 THEM, AS WELL. CHAD SOLEO, NAT PICKERING, LETTIE NOLASCO,  
4 EVALINA ROBERO, AND ALL OF THE STUDENTS ARE HERE. GIVE THESE  
5 STUDENTS AND THE PRINCIPAL, THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL. IS STEVE  
6 HERE? ALL RIGHT. AND STEVE BARR INABSENTIA. GIVE THEM A BIG  
7 ROUND OF APPLAUSE FROM THE PAT BROWN CHARTER SCHOOL.  
8 [APPLAUSE.] ANOTHER BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THEM, WILL YOU?  
9 [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU. AND OUR FINAL PRESENTATION OF  
10 DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS WILL BE THE WILLIAM OUCHI, WILLIAM AND  
11 CAROL OUCHI HIGH SCHOOL. THE PRINCIPAL IS ENA LA VAN, THE  
12 COLLEGE COUNSELOR IS LINDA RAMIREZ. THE TEACHERS FOR MATH,  
13 TEACHER MEMBER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD, DIRECTORS IS KORI  
14 MCLAUGHLIN. AND WE ARE GLAD THAT THE A.S.B. TEACHER SPONSOR IS  
15 CATHERINE RICOHERMOSO. AND MARY BORDEON IS DIRECTOR OF  
16 ALLIANCE COMMUNICATIONS. THEY ARE ALL HERE FROM THE WILLIAM  
17 AND CAROL OUCHI HIGH SCHOOL. AND THEY ARE INDEED AMONG THE  
18 2009 CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS. SO IT'S WITH SINCERE  
19 CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES THAT WE EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT  
20 APPRECIATION FOR THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING TO EDUCATE THESE  
21 YOUNGSTERS AND TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES BETTER. GOOD. THANKS.  
22 THANK YOU. GIVE THEM ANOTHER BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU?  
23 THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. [APPLAUSE.]  
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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, RIGHT NOW WE HAVE A -- LITTLE MILLIE,  
2    WHAT HAPPENED? DID SHE ALREADY GET ADOPTED? WE'RE GOING TO  
3    HOLD BACK ON MILLY BECAUSE SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS SOME  
4    SCROLLS FOR THE EDUCATION LEADERS.

5

6    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. ANTONOVICH. I WANT TO HONOR  
7    TWO DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS IN THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT.  
8    SIX OF OUR SCHOOLS WERE RECOGNIZED BUT ONLY TWO WERE ABLE TO  
9    SEND REPRESENTATIVES TODAY. I'D LIKE TO INVITE DR. RALEIGH  
10   FROM CALABASAS HIGH SCHOOL ALONG WITH TWO STUDENTS, BRIAN  
11   CHASKAS, WHO IS THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT OF CALABASAS HIGH  
12   SCHOOL AND IS GOING TO U.C. BERKELEY. GO BEARS. EXCEPT WHEN  
13   THEY PLAY THE BRUINS. AND BLAKE LEVY IS ALSO HERE. HE'S A  
14   JUNIOR AND SERVES ON THE SCHOOL BOARD OUT IN CALABASAS. SO I  
15   WANT TO PRESENT TO DR. DR. RALEIGH THIS PROCLAMATION FROM ME  
16   TO CALABASAS HIGH SCHOOL RECOGNIZING YOU AS A CALIFORNIA  
17   DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL. WHERE ARE YOU? THERE YOU ARE.

18   [APPLAUSE.] ALL COUNTY WATER POLO, DID YOU SEE SOME OF THOSE  
19   CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL WATER POLO? [LAUGHTER.] CALABASAS-  
20   CLEVELAND, KNABE AND I WILL PROMOTE THAT MATCH NEXT YEAR.  
21   STICK AROUND. IS NEW WEST CHARTER SCHOOL HERE? COME ON UP.  
22   IT'S TANISHA BARNETT, WHO'S THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF THE NEW  
23   WEST CHARTER MIDDLE SCHOOL, ALSO ONE OF THE CALIFORNIA  
24   DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS, ONE OF SIX IN OUR DISTRICT. BUT YOU'RE  
25   HERE. COME ON UP TANISHA. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]





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2 **SPEAKER:** ON BEHALF OF LAS VIRGENES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND  
3 CALABASAS HIGH SCHOOL, WE JUST WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR THIS  
4 HONOR. AND THANK YOU. THAT'S IT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **TANISHA BARNETT:** YES, ON BEHALF OF NEW WEST CHARTER MIDDLE  
9 SCHOOL I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THIS RECOGNITION.  
10 UNFORTUNATELY OUR PRINCIPAL IS NOT ABLE TO BE HERE BECAUSE  
11 SHE'S IN D.C. WITH HER EIGHTH GRADER. SO THANK YOU AGAIN.  
12 [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS KIND OF A DACHSHUND MIX, LONG HAIR.  
15 THIS IS LITTLE MILLIE. SHE'S 12 WEEKS OLD. EARLIER THIS  
16 MORNING SHE HAD A GREAT PERSONALITY. AND THEN SHE JUST WOKE UP  
17 SO SHE'S A LITTLE -- BUT SHE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. SO YOU CAN  
18 CALL 526-728-4644. OR ANYBODY THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO  
19 ADOPT LITTLE MILLIE, SHE'S LOOKING FOR A NICE LITTLE HOME.  
20 OKAY. SEE ANYBODY? LOVELY PEOPLE OUT THERE. OKAY. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE ARE READY TO GO TO OUR  
23 REGULAR AGENDA. BUT BEFORE WE START THAT, I'M GOING TO ASK MR.  
24 FUJIOKA, IF YOU AND OUR TREASURER CAN MAKE A FEW OPENING  
25 COMMENTS, PLEASE.



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**C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OUR TREASURER, MARK SALADINO, IS JOINING ME AT THE CENTER TABLE. WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH OUR EFFORT TO SELL OUR -- AND THE IMPACT THE STATE BUDGET HAS HAD ON THIS EFFORT. DESPITE WHAT WE'VE DONE HERE AT THE COUNTY TO MANAGE OUR BUDGET, AND WITH THAT OUR FINANCES, WE'RE SEEING AN UNEXPECTED CONSEQUENCE DUE TO THE STATE RECENTLY ANNOUNCING THEIR, I'D SAY FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, RECENTLY ANNOUNCING SOME ADDITIONAL CUTS TO NOT ONLY THE STATE BUDGET BUT THE IMPACT IT HAS ON OUR LOCAL COUNTY BUDGET. SO WE HAVE MARK HERE.

12

**MARK SALADINO:** THANK YOU, MR. FUJIOKA. I'D BE HAPPY TO RESPOND TO ANY QUESTIONS, OR GIVE YOU A STATUS UPDATE, WHATEVER YOU PREFER.

16

**SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK WE'RE MORE INTERESTED IN SOME OF THE INFORMATION YOU SHARED WITH MR. FUJIOKA YESTERDAY. SORT OF AN UPDATE AS TO WHAT THE IMPACT OF THE STATE'S BUDGET IS GOING TO BE ON OUR ABILITY TO RAISE DOLLARS, AS WELL.

21

**MARK SALADINO:** WELL, THE INVESTMENT COMMUNITY AND THE BOND RATING AGENCIES ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT EFFECTS THAT THE STATE BUDGET CUTS HAVE ON OUR GENERAL FUND. TO THE EXTENT THAT THE STATE IS CUTTING PROGRAMS AND THOSE PROGRAM CUTS ARE



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1 THEN CARRIED THROUGH INTO OUR BUDGET, THEY ARE LESS CONCERNED  
2 THAN STATE BUDGET CUTS THAT WOULD HAVE AN EFFECT OF INCREASING  
3 OUR GENERAL FUND OBLIGATIONS. AND THE EXAMPLE THAT WAS RELIED  
4 UPON THE OTHER DAY WHEN STANDARD AND POOR'S TOOK ANOTHER LOOK  
5 AT THE RATING ON OUR NOTES WAS RELATED TO CALWORKS. THERE WAS  
6 A PROPOSAL APPARENTLY THAT THE GOVERNOR PUT OUT THAT WOULD  
7 HAVE ELIMINATED THE CALWORKS PROGRAM ENTIRELY. AND THE  
8 C.E.O.'S OFFICE PROJECTED THAT IF THAT WERE TO OCCUR, A  
9 CERTAIN NUMBER OF CALWORKS RECIPIENTS MIGHT QUALIFY FOR  
10 GENERAL RELIEF, WHICH OF COURSE IS A GENERAL FUND OBLIGATION.  
11 THAT SPOOKED THE MARKETS PRETTY SEVERELY, AND WE WERE UNABLE  
12 TO ACTUALLY SELL OUR NOTES ON THURSDAY AS WE ANTICIPATED. WE  
13 SPENT SEVERAL DAYS TALKING TO THE BOND RATING AGENCIES TO MAKE  
14 SURE THAT THEY WERE AWARE OF YOUR BOARD'S CONTINUING INTENT TO  
15 TAKE WHATEVER ACTIONS ARE NECESSARY TO BALANCE OUR BUDGET. WE  
16 ALSO HAD TO GIVE THE INVESTMENT COMMUNITY SOME COMFORT IN THAT  
17 REGARD, AS WELL. SO WE THINK THAT THOSE DISCUSSIONS ARE PRETTY  
18 MUCH OVER AND WE ARE LOOKING NOW TO SELL THE NOTES THIS COMING  
19 THURSDAY, DAY AFTER TOMORROW. GOD WILLING AND NO MORE BIG  
20 ANNOUNCEMENTS LIKE THAT COME OUT, I WOULD ANTICIPATE A  
21 SUCCESSFUL SALE ON THURSDAY.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS IT GOING TO COST US MORE?



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1   **MARK SALADINO:** YES, IT PROBABLY IS. INTEREST RATES, SHORT-TERM  
2   INTEREST RATES HAVE SPIKED UP SIGNIFICANTLY IN THE LAST WEEK.  
3   IF ANY OF YOU HAVE NOTICED WHAT MORTGAGE RATES HAVE DONE,  
4   THEY'VE GONE UP SIGNIFICANTLY OVER THE LAST FIVE DAYS, AS  
5   WELL. WE WERE LOOKING AT MUCH MORE FAVORABLE ENVIRONMENT LAST  
6   WEEK THAN THIS WEEK. I WOULD EXPECT THAT SHORT-TERM RATES  
7   PROBABLY WILL CONTINUE TO RISE. CERTAINLY THE TREASURY MARKET  
8   SHORT-TERM RATES ARE RISING. AND SO I'M VERY HOPEFUL THAT WE  
9   CAN GET THE DEAL PRICED THIS WEEK. IF WE HAVE TO DELAY IT  
10   AGAIN, I DON'T THINK THAT ANY DELAYS REALLY WORK IN OUR FAVOR.  
11   I WOULD ONLY EXPECT RATES TO GO HIGHER.

12

13   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY QUESTIONS? THANK YOU VERY  
14   MUCH. WE'LL KEEP YOU ON THE AGENDA. KEEP US POSTED ON A WEEKLY  
15   BASIS.

16

17   **MARK SALADINO:** WILL DO. THANK YOU.

18

19   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE WILL BEGIN WITH THE SECOND  
20   DISTRICT.

21

22   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, COLLEAGUES, I BEGIN WITH THE  
23   ADJOURNING MOTIONS. ANDREW L. WALLACE, JR., LONGTIME RESIDENT  
24   OF THE SECOND DISTRICT, RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83.  
25   HE WAS A GRADUATE OF MANUAL ARTS HIGH SCHOOL. HE ENTERED INTO



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1 THE AIR FORCE AND WAS A PART OF THE DISTINGUISHED TUSKEGEE  
2 AIRMEN. HE WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED IN 1946, WHEN HE WENT ON  
3 TO RECEIVE HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM CHAPMAN COLLEGE AND  
4 LATER A MASTER'S DEGREE FROM U.C.L.A. MR. CHAIRMAN AND  
5 COLLEAGUES, IN 1953, HE JOINED THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
6 PROBATION DEPARTMENT, WHERE HE WAS A VALUED EMPLOYEE UNTIL HIS  
7 RETIREMENT IN 1984, AFTER 31 YEARS OF SERVICE. HE WAS A MEMBER  
8 OF THE OMEGA PSI-PHI FRATERNITY AS WELL AS THE TUSKEGEE AIRMEN  
9 INC. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY DEVOTED WIFE, LOIS; HIS  
10 DAUGHTERS, ANDREA AND MICHELLE; A BROTHER, LORENZO; ALONG WITH  
11 A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS, OF WHICH I COUNT  
12 MYSELF. SECONDLY, ROGER EUGENE SMITH, LONGTIME COUNTY RESIDENT  
13 WHO WAS RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 70. HE WAS A FORMER  
14 LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION OFFICER BEFORE JOINING THE STAFF  
15 OF SENATOR EDWARD VINCENT AS HIS CHIEF OF STAFF FOR MORE THAN  
16 20 YEARS. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, BILLIE;  
17 HIS SON, BARRY; HIS DAUGHTER, EUGENIA; AND BROTHER, THOMAS;  
18 ALONG WITH MANY, MANY MORE.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS, PLEASE.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. JOAN JOHNSON  
23 WILLIS, LONGTIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY ON  
24 MAY 26TH AT THE AGE OF 92. SHE WAS A DEVOTED LIFELONG MEMBER  
25 OF THE SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH. SHE SERVED ON THE BOARD OF



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1 MANAGERS OF THE WILSHIRE BRANCH OF THE METROPOLITAN Y.M.C.A.  
2 AND DIRECTOR PRO TEM OF THE FAUSTINO HOME FOR GIRLS. THE  
3 HIGHLIGHT OF HER LEADERSHIP WAS BEING MADE PRESIDENT OF THE  
4 LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT'S VOLUNTEER PROGRAM. SHE  
5 LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER SON, BERTRAND; AND HER TWO  
6 GRANDCHILDREN, MATTHEW AND JESSICA; ALONG WITH MANY, MANY  
7 MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO CAME TO KNOW HER, LOVE HER AND  
8 RESPECT HER, AMONG WHICH I INCLUDE MY FAMILY. CRYSTAL  
9 CRAWFORD. BIOLA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE AND TEACHER AT THE ST.  
10 JOHN'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL, WHO WE READ ABOUT RECENTLY WHO WAS  
11 TRAGICALLY KILLED AT THE AGE OF 24 IN A DRIVE-BY SHOOTING  
12 WHILE SITTING IN HER CAR. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER  
13 PARENTS, AS WELL AS MANY GRIEVING FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS.  
14 AND, FINALLY, SHERYL FLOWERS, LONGTIME EXECUTIVE TEAM MEMBER  
15 OF THE SMILEY GROUP WHO PASSED AWAY ON JUNE THE EIGHTH AT THE  
16 AGE OF 42 AFTER AN ALMOST TWO-YEAR BATTLE WITH CANCER. SHE WAS  
17 THE DIRECTOR OF THE COMMUNICATIONS GROUP THERE AT THE TAVIS  
18 SMILEY GROUP AND LONGTIME EXECUTIVE PRODUCER OF THE TAVIS  
19 SMILEY SHOW ON ROAD RADIO. SHE WAS THE EXECUTIVE RESPONSIBLE  
20 FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE RADIO FOR IT'S THREE-YEAR N.P.R., AND  
21 IN 2005 THE SHOW WAS DISTRIBUTED BY PUBLIC RADIO  
22 INTERNATIONAL. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER PARENTS,  
23 HER SISTER, LORI, ALONG WITH A HOST OF FAMILY, FRIENDS AND  
24 MANY, MANY COLLEAGUES. CHAIRMAN, THAT CONCLUDES THE ADJOURNING





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1 MOTIONS THAT I HAVE TODAY AND WOULD LIKE NOW TO TAKE UP  
2 SEVERAL ITEMS WITH YOUR PERMISSION.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S ALL YOURS.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO INVITE, TO GIVE  
7 TESTIMONY ON ITEM NO. 1 THOSE WHO ARE REPRESENTING THE  
8 JAPANESE AMERICAN VETERANS AND THEIR ADVOCATES, MR. CHAIRMAN.  
9 THEN WE'LL PROCEED ACCORDINGLY.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I HAVE SAM FUJIKAWA AND CHRISTINE  
12 SATO. COME FORWARD, PLEASE.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AS THEY COME, MR. CHAIRMAN, IT'S WITH A  
15 GREAT DEGREE OF HUMILITY AND HONOR THAT I CALL THIS ITEM  
16 FORWARD WHICH SUPPORTS SENATOR BOXER'S BILL WHICH SUPPORTS  
17 VETERANS OF THE 100TH INFANTRY BATTALION AND THE 442ND  
18 REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM OF THE U.S. ARMY IN RECOGNITION OF  
19 THEIR DEDICATED SERVICE DURING WORLD WAR II. IT SHOULD BE  
20 RECOGNIZED THAT THIS IS LONG OVERDUE AND IS NOTABLE ON SEVERAL  
21 LEVELS, WHICH ALTHOUGH ARE TOUCHED UPON IN THE MOTION, AS YOU  
22 HAVE SEEN, IT BEARS JUST A FEW REMARKS IN TERMS OF REPEATING.  
23 THESE MEN VOLUNTEERED FOR DUTY EVEN THOUGH MOST OF THEIR  
24 FAMILIES WERE BEING HELD IN INTERNMENT CAMPS. THAT ALTHOUGH  
25 THESE BRAVE MEN WERE FIGHTING FOR FREEDOM AND JUSTICE AND



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1 EQUALITY ABROAD, THEIR FAMILIES WERE NOT AFFORDED THESE SAME  
2 RIGHTS HERE AT HOME DESPITE BEING CITIZENS OF THIS NATION. AND  
3 SO THE 100TH BATTALION AND THE 442ND REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM  
4 WERE THE MOST DECORATED UNIT FOR ITS SIZE AND LENGTH OF  
5 SERVICE IN THE ENTIRE HISTORY OF THE U.S. MILITARY. THESE  
6 SOLDIERS WERE AWARDED AN UNPRECEDENTED 8 PRESIDENTIAL UNIT  
7 CITATIONS, 21 MEDALS OF HONOR, 29 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE  
8 CROSSES, 560 SILVER STARS, LITERALLY 4,000 BRONZE STARS, 22  
9 LEGION OF MERIT MEDALS, 15 SOLDIERS' MEDALS AND OVER 9,498  
10 PURPLE HEARTS. SO THE 4,000 MEN WHO INITIALLY COMPRISED THE  
11 BATTALION AND THE COMBAT TEAM HAD TO BE REPLACED NEARLY 3.5  
12 TIMES. IN THE TOTAL APPROXIMATELY 14,000 BRAVE PEOPLE SERVED  
13 WITH DISTINCTION. AND SO ON APRIL 14TH OF THIS YEAR, THE  
14 BOARD, THIS BOARD UNANIMOUSLY VOTED TO SUPPORT THE ISSUANCE OF  
15 A JAPANESE AMERICAN WORLD WAR II COMMEMORATIVE POSTAGE STAMP  
16 TO HONOR THE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION OF THESE BRAVE PERSONS  
17 AND THEIR DESCENDANTS. AND I SIMPLY WISH TO URGE THE BOARD  
18 ONCE AGAIN TO SUPPORT THESE VETERANS AND HONOR AND RECOGNIZE  
19 THEIR EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO OUR NATION. MR. CHAIRMAN.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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23 **CHRISTINE SATO-YAMAZAKI:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS.  
24 MY NAME IS CHRISTINE SATO-YAMAZAKI. I'M THE PRESIDENT AND  
25 C.E.O. OF THE GO FOR BROKE NATIONAL EDUCATION CENTER. ON



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1 BEHALF OF GO FOR BROKE, I'M HERE TO REPRESENT THE JAPANESE  
2 AMERICAN WORLD WAR II VETERANS TO ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE  
3 BILL PROPOSED BY U.S. SENATOR BARBARA BOXER TO AWARD THE  
4 CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL TO THESE VETERANS HERE TODAY AND  
5 NATIONWIDE. THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION WOULD RECOGNIZE THE  
6 CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY JAPANESE AMERICAN WORLD WAR II VETERANS,  
7 WHO AT THE AGES OF 18 TO 21 SERVED THIS COUNTRY DURING WORLD  
8 WAR II FROM THE ISLANDS OF HAWAII AND FROM BEHIND BARBED WIRES  
9 IN INTERNMENT CAMPS ACROSS THIS NATION. THE MEN WHO SERVED IN  
10 THE 100 442 ARE LEGENDARY. MORE THAN 10,000 MEN SERVED IN THIS  
11 SEGREGATED UNIT IN THE EUROPEAN CAMPAIGN. THEY FOUGHT WITH  
12 COURAGE AND VALOR AND FOUGHT IN MORE THAN 8 CAMPAIGNS, OF  
13 WHICH THEY ARE MOST KNOWN FOR THE BATTLE OF THE LOST  
14 BATTALION. IN OCTOBER 1944, THE 100 442 WAS CALLED IN TO  
15 RESCUE 211 TEXANS WHO WERE SURROUNDED BY ENEMY FIRE. THERE  
16 WERE MANY ATTEMPTS MADE BY OTHER UNITS, BUT WERE UNSUCCESSFUL.  
17 THE 100 442 WERE CALLED IN AND FOUGHT FOR SIX CONTINUOUS DAYS  
18 WHEN THE 100 442 FINALLY BROKE THROUGH. IT WAS DURING THIS  
19 TIME THAT THEY HEARD THE BATTLE CRY OF GO FOR BROKE, WHICH  
20 MEANS GIVE IT YOUR ALL. AND IT WAS ALSO DURING THIS TIME THAT  
21 MANY OF THE VETERANS RECEIVED THE MEDAL OF HONOR. THE TEXANS  
22 WERE HAPPY AND EXCHANGED GREETINGS WITH THE VETERANS. BUT THE  
23 100 442 WAS ACTUALLY ORDERED TO CONTINUE NINE MORE DAYS OF  
24 CONTINUOUS BATTLE. AS A RESULT OF NONSTOP FIGHTING, THE 100  
25 442 SUFFERED 800 CASUALTIES. THE 100 442, BY THE END OF THE



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1 WAR, WON MORE THAN 19,000 DECORATIONS AND AND BECAME THE MOST  
2 DECORATED MILITARY UNIT FOR ITS SIZE AND LENGTH OF SERVICE. IF  
3 I MAY, I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ALSO  
4 RECOGNIZE THE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY 6,000 JAPANESE AMERICANS  
5 WHO SERVED IN THE MILITARY INTELLIGENCE IN THE PACIFIC  
6 CAMPAIGN. THESE MEN UTILIZED THEIR JAPANESE LANGUAGE SKILLS TO  
7 SERVE AS INTERPRETERS AND TRANSLATORS IN EVERY PACIFIC  
8 CAMPAIGN. THE M.I.S. HELPED TO BREAK CODES, TRANSLATED ENEMY  
9 DOCUMENTS THAT HELPED THE ALLIED FORCES WITH THEIR STRATEGY  
10 AND OPERATIONS. THE M.I.S. ARE CREDITED FOR SHORTENING THE WAR  
11 BY TWO YEARS, SERVING AS THE EYES AND EARS OF THE PACIFIC. THE  
12 M.I.S.'S CONTRIBUTION REMAIN RELATIVELY UNKNOWN, BUT WE FEEL  
13 THEIR SERVICE SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED. AFTER THE WAR, ALL THE  
14 VETERANS RETURNED HOME TO REBUILD THEIR LIVES. FOR THE MOST  
15 PART THEY ARE HUMBLE AND NEVER BOAST OR BRAG ABOUT THEIR  
16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS. ON BEHALF OF THE GO FOR BROKE NATIONAL  
17 EDUCATION CENTER AND MANY FAMILIES OF THESE VETERANS, I ASK  
18 FOR YOUR SUPPORT TO ENSURE THAT THESE MEN RECEIVE THE  
19 RECOGNITION THEY DESERVE THROUGH THE NATION'S HIGHEST CIVILIAN  
20 HONOR, THE CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE  
21 YOUR CONSIDERATION. AND AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE A  
22 VETERAN OF THE 100TH INFANTRY BATTALION. MR. SAM FUJIKAWA, WHO  
23 WILL SHARE A FEW WORDS.

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1   **SAM FUJIKAWA:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK YOU, COUNCILMEN, FOR  
2   SUPPORTING OUR GO FOR BROKE MODEL OF THE UNITED STATES. WE  
3   FOUGHT NOT ONLY FOR THIS COUNTRY, WE FOUGHT FOR OUR RESPECT.  
4   IN FACT, I LOST MY CITIZENSHIP BACK IN 1942 IN FEBRUARY. NOW,  
5   DON'T TAKE THAT FOR GRANTED. OUR CONSTITUTION IS NOTHING BUT A  
6   PIECE OF PAPER. IT'S A MATTER OF INTERPRETATION. AND I KNOW  
7   BECAUSE WHEN I HAD MY CITIZENSHIP TAKEN AWAY AND, YET, I WAS  
8   FORCED TO GO INTO THE ARMED FORCES AND I'M PROUD TO SAY I'M A  
9   100TH MEMBER OF THE 442. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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11   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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13   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, JOINING THOSE WHO HAVE  
14   PROVIDED TESTIMONY IN THE AUDIENCE ARE DON SUKAI, JIM MURATA,  
15   GEORGE FUJIMORI, KEN MIA, VICTOR ABI, AND JAMES ORIKOWA.

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17   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CAN WE HAVE YOU ALL STAND UP, PLEASE?

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19   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WOULD YOU PLEASE STAND SO WE CAN  
20   ACKNOWLEDGE YOU APPROPRIATELY? GENTLEMEN, ON BEHALF OF THE  
21   RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND ALL FIVE  
22   SUPERVISORS, THAT WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR NATION.  
23   MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, MAY I ADD THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO  
24   ADD TO THE BOARD THAT THE BOARD ALSO SUPPORT H.R.374, ADAM



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1 SCHIFF'S WORK, WHICH IS THE COMPANION HOUSE BILL, WHICH PASSED  
2 UNANIMOUSLY ON MAY 14TH. AND IF THAT'S AN ORDER I WOULD --

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AS  
5 AMENDED. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT. AGAIN, FOR MANY OF US THAT  
6 HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH 442 AND THE GREAT GO FOR BROKE  
7 FOUNDATION, WELL-DESERVED AND WAY TOO LATE. BUT PROUD TO  
8 SUPPORT IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU. THANK  
9 YOU ALL FOR COMING DOWN. [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **CHRISTINE SATO-YAMAZAKI:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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13 **SAM FUJIKAWA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. MR. CHAIRMAN. WITH YOUR  
16 PERMISSION, I'D LIKE TO PROCEED TO ITEM NO. 2. THIS PERTAINS  
17 TO THE MATTER OF THE COMPTON CREEK. AND WE HAVE STAFF HERE  
18 WHO'S PREPARED TO TESTIFY TO THAT EFFECT. BUT IT SEEMS TO ME  
19 THAT AS WE THINK ABOUT THE RESPONSIBILITY THAT WE HAVE TO THE  
20 ENVIRONMENT AND HOW WE SHOULD RELATE TO IT, WE HAVE QUITE A  
21 LOT OF WORK TO DO IN THE COUNTY. WE WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT  
22 WHICH IS GOING ON, BUT THEN THE SECOND DISTRICT IN SPECIFIC,  
23 THERE IS THIS EXTRAORDINARY OPPORTUNITY WITH RESPECT TO THE  
24 COMPTON CREEK. STAFF WILL COME FORTH AND ADDRESS THAT.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I HELD IT, AS WELL.

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3    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, SIR, PLEASE.

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5    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND I OBVIOUSLY SUPPORT THIS ITEM. I  
6    JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE, ONCE AGAIN, THAT AS WE MOVE FORWARD,  
7    THAT WE DON'T DUPLICATE THE EFFORT. WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS  
8    ISSUE FOR A LONG TIME, AS RECENTLY AS OUR RECENT TRIP TO  
9    WASHINGTON TO ESTABLISH SOME DOLLARS TO TRY TO GET THAT INTO  
10   THE BUDGET FOR THE COMPTON CREEK ISSUE. SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE  
11   SURE THAT WE GO WAY BACK WHEN AND INCLUDE ALL THE WORK THAT'S  
12   BEEN DONE SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO RECREATE. BUT THIS IS AN  
13   IMPORTANT PROJECT AND NEEDS TO BE DONE.

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15   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK THIS IS AN IMPORTANT POINT, MR.  
16   CHAIRMAN. LET ME JUST SIMPLY SUGGEST THAT THE THRUST OF THE  
17   EFFORT HERE IS TO CAUSE THE COMPTON CREEK TASKFORCE TO TAKE  
18   FULL PRESENCE AND INCLUDE NOW THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, THE  
19   CITY OF COMPTON, AS WELL AS THE BOARD IN A WAY THAT HAS NOT  
20   TAKEN PLACE TO DATE. THIS IS VALUE ADDED THAT WE ARE  
21   ESSENTIALLY TRYING TO BRING TO BEAR. AND I THINK POSITIVE  
22   THINGS WILL COME FROM THIS. WE'LL HEAR FROM STAFF AT THIS TIME  
23   WITH YOUR PERMISSION.

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1   **MARK PESTRELLA:** SUPERVISOR. MARK PESTRELLA, WITH L.A. COUNTY  
2   PUBLIC WORKS, ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR WATERSHED MANAGEMENT  
3   DIVISION. JUST HERE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE ABOUT  
4   THE COMPTON CREEK MOTION AND THE EFFORTS OF THE FLOOD CONTROL  
5   DISTRICT CURRENTLY ARE UNDERTAKING IN THIS AREA.

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7   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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9   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MARK PESTRELLA, I JUST HAVE A COUPLE OF  
10   QUESTIONS. ONE, ARE WE GOING TO -- DOES THIS MOTION PRESUME  
11   THAT WE WILL BECOME THE LEAD AGENCY IN THIS EFFORT?

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13   **MARK PESTRELLA:** WELL, WHEN YOU SAY "LEAD," THAT WOULD BE A  
14   QUESTION, THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT IS CERTAINLY A  
15   STAKEHOLDER.

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17   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT.

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19   **MARK PESTRELLA:** IS CERTAINLY A STAKEHOLDER IN THE EFFORT AND  
20   HAS A MAJOR COMPONENT OF THE PROJECT IN THAT WE'VE RECOGNIZED  
21   CHANNEL CAPACITY ISSUES IN THIS AREA, FEDERAL REGULATIONS THAT  
22   WE'RE ATTEMPTING TO MEET ARE CALLING FOR US TO TAKE NOT ONLY  
23   PHYSICAL CHANGES TO THE CREEK BUT ALSO TO DO STAKEHOLDER  
24   OUTREACH IN THE AREA. AND WE WANT TO WORK WITH THE PARTNER  
25   AGENCY, THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS, AND WE'RE PROPOSING TO DO THAT



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1 WITH THIS MOTION, INITIATE A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE FEDERAL  
2 GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS WITH THE LOCAL AGENCIES, BOTH CITY AND  
3 STATE AGENCIES, TO ADDRESS NOT ONLY FLOODING, POTENTIAL  
4 FLOODING ISSUES BUT INSURANCE ISSUES THAT COULD BE IMPOSED BY  
5 F.E.M.A. IN THIS AREA.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE MOTION ON THE AGENDA SAYS THAT THE LOS  
8 ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT SERVING AS THE LEAD  
9 LOCAL AGENCY FOR THE STUDY.

10

11 **MARK PESTRELLA:** YES. IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE CORPS',  
12 THERE'S ALWAYS IDENTIFIED A LEAD LOCAL AGENCY. TYPICALLY IT'S  
13 THE FLOOD CONTROL AGENCY. SO THIS IS WHAT THIS MEANS IN THE  
14 MOTION.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHAT IS OUR FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY  
17 WHEN WE ARE THE LEAD LOCAL AGENCY?

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19 **MARK PESTRELLA:** TYPICALLY 50 PERCENT SHARE OF A STUDY IS  
20 PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL AGENCY.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND DO YOU HAVE AN IDEA WHAT THE BUDGET FOR  
23 THIS STUDY IS GOING TO BE ROUGHLY?

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1   **MARK PESTRELLA:** I DO NOT HAVE A BUDGET YET. BUT I ALSO WANT TO  
2   MENTION THAT WE WOULD BE SEEKING PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE LOCAL  
3   CITIES AS WELL IN TERMS OF THAT LOCAL SPONSORSHIP, IN TERMS OF  
4   FUNDING, SUPERVISOR.

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6   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IN TERMS OF SHARING IN THE COST OF THE  
7   RESPONSIBILITIES OF BEING THE LOCAL LEAD AGENCY?

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9   **MARK PESTRELLA:** YES.

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11   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHAT IF THEY DON'T PARTICIPATE?

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13   **MARK PESTRELLA:** THEN THE DISTRICT WOULD BEAR THE COST AS THE  
14   LOCAL SPONSOR. AND IT IS IN THE DISTRICT'S INTEREST TO BECOME  
15   THE LOCAL SPONSOR WITH RESPECT TO THIS ISSUE.

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17   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A LOCAL  
18   SPONSOR AND A LOCAL LEAD, WHATEVER THE TERM IS, LEAD LOCAL  
19   AGENCY? IS IT THE SAME THING?

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21   **MARK PESTRELLA:** IT'S THE SAME THING, AT LEAST IN THE MY  
22   VERNACULAR IT'S THE SAME THING. THERE IS ALSO A NEED TO, AS  
23   SUPERVISOR THOMAS IS DOING, IS TO INCLUDE AND COOPERATE WITH  
24   THE AGENCIES DOWN THERE, CITY OF COMPTON AND OTHERS THAT HAVE  
25   ACTUALLY HAD EFFORTS PREVIOUSLY, AS SUPERVISOR KNABE



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1 MENTIONED, TO DEVELOP WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLANS. AND IT'S AN  
2 OPPORTUNITY TO PARLAY THAT EARLIER WORK AND ACTUALLY PUT IT  
3 INTO A LARGER PACKAGE. AND THE DISTRICT HAS BEEN WORKING WITH  
4 THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS. AND AS SUPERVISOR KNABE MENTIONED  
5 EARLIER, WE WERE IN WASHINGTON EARLIER THIS YEAR PROPOSING  
6 THAT THE CORPS GET BUDGET FOR THIS PROJECT. SO WE THINK IT'S A  
7 WIN/WIN FOR NOT ONLY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE FLOOD  
8 CONTROL DISTRICT, BUT THE CITIES THAT ARE SURROUNDING COMPTON  
9 CREEK.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THE COST OF THIS  
12 STUDY'S GOING TO BE? YOU'RE PREPARED TO COMMIT THE FLOOD  
13 CONTROL DISTRICT TO 50 PERCENT OF THE COST?

14

15 **MARK PESTRELLA:** WELL TYPICALLY, THESE PROJECTS RANGE ANYWHERE  
16 FROM 2 TO \$10 MILLION.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHO PICKS UP THE OTHER 50 PERCENT, BY  
19 THE WAY?

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21 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE STUDIES ARE 2 TO \$10 MILLION OF WHICH  
24 HALF WOULD BE THE LEAD LOCAL AGENCY'S RESPONSIBILITY?

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1   **MARK PESTRELLA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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3   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 1 AND \$5 MILLION.

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5   **MARK PESTRELLA:** THAT'S CORRECT. AND THEN OF THAT MONEY, WE  
6   TYPICALLY WILL USE IN-KIND SERVICES TO MEET OUR  
7   RESPONSIBILITY. SO WE ALSO HAVE STAFF RESOURCES THAT WOULD BE  
8   POINTED AT THIS. SO IT'S NOT ALL CASH, JUST SO YOU KNOW. BUT  
9   ALSO RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE TO US TO PROVIDE OUR IN-  
10   KIND SERVICES.

11

12   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TYPICALLY WHEN WE'RE DOING THE RIVER STUFF,  
13   IT'S -- THE CASH COMES FROM THE VARIOUS EITHER PROP A, THE  
14   LOCAL PROPOSITION OR THE STATE PROPOSITIONS, I GET THE NUMBERS  
15   MIXED UP, BUT THE BOND ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN PASSED. ARE THOSE  
16   FUNDS -- ARE THERE FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE COMPTON CREEK AREA  
17   THAT WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR THIS?

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19   **MARK PESTRELLA:** THERE ARE SEVERAL FUNDING SOURCES THAT WE  
20   WOULD BE SEEKING TO HELP WITH IT, AS WELL.

21

22   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT ARE THEY?

23

24   **MARK PESTRELLA:** OUR INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN  
25   THAT THE STATE -- PROP 84, PROP 50 MONIES. PROP A MONIES





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1 AVAILABLE FOR THIS FOR CERTAIN COMPONENTS OF THE PROJECT,  
2 DEPENDING UPON HOW THE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN IS ACTUALLY  
3 SCOPED, WHETHER OR NOT YOU GET OUTSIDE SO TO SPEAK, THE  
4 CORRIDOR OF THE RIVER. IF YOU REMEMBER L.A. RIVER  
5 REVITALIZATION PLAN, THE CITY ACTUALLY OF L.A. AS THE LEAD  
6 AGENCY, HAS TAKEN THE LEAD IN TERMS OF THE PLANNING EFFORT  
7 THERE AND IS SOLICITING, AGAIN, THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT AS  
8 A PARTNER IN THAT PROJECT. BUT THE CITY, IN THAT CASE, IS THE  
9 LEAD AGENCY.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. BUT IN THIS CASE IT'S GOING TO BE THE  
12 FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT. SO THE PROP 84 AND 50 POSSIBLY SOME  
13 PROP A.

14

15 **MARK PESTRELLA:** ALSO LOCAL DOLLARS FROM WATER AGENCIES,  
16 BECAUSE THERE WILL BE A COMPONENT OF WATER CONSERVATION AND  
17 FLOOD PROTECTION THAT WE WOULD BE SEEKING AGENCIES TO ALSO  
18 PARTICIPATE IN THE PROJECT POTENTIALLY. BUT THERE IS STATE --  
19 ON FREEZE RIGHT NOW, PROP 84, BUT THERE ARE STATE MONIES THAT  
20 ARE COMING OUR WAY EVENTUALLY THAT WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS  
21 TYPE OF PROJECT.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT ANY CASH OTHER  
24 THAN STAFF TIME FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ANY CASH  
25 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS PER SE?



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2 **MARK PESTRELLA:** NO, THERE WILL BE SOME CASH CONTRIBUTION TO  
3 THE PROJECT, BECAUSE THERE ARE COMPONENTS OF THE PROJECT THAT  
4 THE CORPS WOULD COMPLETE THAT WE WOULD PUT CASH INTO THAT  
5 COMPONENT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT DOES THE CORPS EXPECT?

8

9 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THEIR CAPACITY TO DO STUDIES OF THIS TYPE,  
10 HYDRAULIC STUDIES, MODELING THE RIVER ITSELF, THAT'S THE  
11 CAPACITY OF THE CORPS HAS AN EXPERTISE IN THAT WE RELY UPON.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT DO THEY EXPECT FROM US IN TERMS OF  
14 CASH?

15

16 **MARK PESTRELLA:** 50 PERCENT SPLIT OF THE TOTAL PROJECT COST.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT IF YOU GOT MONEY FROM PROP 82, PROP 50  
19 AND OTHER THINGS, THAT WOULD BE TO OUR CREDIT, CORRECT?

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21 **MARK PESTRELLA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO I'M COMING BACK TO -- JUST LISTEN TO MY  
24 QUESTION.

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1   **MARK PESTRELLA:** YES, OKAY.

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3   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND ANSWER IT DIRECTLY. YOU THINK THAT  
4   THERE'S GOING TO BE SOME CASH OTHER THAN THE STAFF  
5   REQUIREMENTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT, FROM THE FLOOD CONTROL  
6   DISTRICT IS GOING TO BE REQUIRED YOU SAID BECAUSE THE ARMY  
7   CORPS EXPECTS IT.

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9   **MARK PESTRELLA:** OKAY. OUR 50 PERCENT SHARE OF THIS PROJECT  
10   WILL BE A COMPONENT OF GRANTS THAT WE SEEK, PARTNER AGENCY AND  
11   FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT APPROPRIATIONS, CASH. AS A PART OF OUR  
12   APPROPRIATION, WE COULD SEEK TO USE IN-KIND SERVICES TO MATCH  
13   INSTEAD OF ACTUALLY PAYING THE CORPS CASH. BUT TO BE  
14   TRANSPARENT, I DO ENVISION SOME CASH COMING FROM FLOOD CONTROL  
15   DISTRICT THAT WOULD GO TO A PORTION OF THE CORPS WORK FOR OUR  
16   50 PERCENT PART OF THE PROJECT, SUPERVISOR.

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18   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S THE ACTUAL PHYSICAL WORK THOUGH,  
19   NOT THE PLANNING, RIGHT?

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21   **MARK PESTRELLA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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23   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S THE DIFFERENCE. AND THE CORPS IS  
24   NOT A PARTNER YET, THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO ENCOURAGE.

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1   **MARK PESTRELLA:** WE'RE SEEKING CORPS PARTNERSHIP.

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3   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT HAPPENS IF THE CORPS DOESN'T JOIN  
4   IN? I MEAN, IF THERE'S NO BUDGET MONEY, THEN THIS THING SORT  
5   OF GOES TO THE WAYSIDE UNTIL SUCH TIME THEY'RE A PARTNER, IS  
6   THAT CORRECT?

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8   **MARK PESTRELLA:** THE SCOPE OF THIS PROJECT DROPS WAY DOWN IF WE  
9   DON HAVE PARTNER PARTICIPATION.

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11   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE LOCAL CASH YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, THE  
12   FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT CASH, IS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, FOR THE  
13   IMPLEMENTATION OF WHATEVER THE PLAN IS AND NOT TOWARDS THE  
14   PLAN ITSELF.

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16   **MARK PESTRELLA:** IT'S TOTAL PROJECT COSTS, IT'S CORPS WORK. THE  
17   CORPS WILL COME TO US AND SAY "HERE'S THE SCOPE OF WHAT WE  
18   EXPECT TO DO IN THIS PROJECT." THEY WILL THEN COME TO LOCAL  
19   SPONSOR, WHICH WILL BE THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, AND SAY "WE  
20   EXPECT A 50 PERCENT SHARE OF THIS, WHETHER IT'S CASH OR IN-  
21   KIND SERVICES TO MEET THE STUDY, THE TOTAL PROJECT." AND THE  
22   TOTAL PROJECT IS STUDIES AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT. SO  
23   THERE IS A LITTLE MISNOMER. THERE COULD BE PLANNING DOLLARS  
24   MIXED IN THIS, AS WELL.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHEN WILL YOU -- THE MOTION ASKS FOR YOU  
2   TO COME BACK IN 60 DAYS FOR THE BUDGET AND ALL KINDS OF OTHER  
3   STUFF TO US. WHEN WILL YOU BE APPROACHING THESE OTHER FUNDING  
4   SOURCES, THE CITIES?

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6   **MARK PESTRELLA:** WE'RE ALREADY WORKING WITH THE CITIES. AND,  
7   SUPERVISOR THOMAS'S STAFF HAS ALREADY BEEN ENGAGING WITH THE  
8   CITIES. AND WE HAVE STAKEHOLDER PARTNERS THAT ARE WORKING THIS  
9   AREA ALREADY, INCLUDING SOME OF THE CONSERVANCIES IN THE AREA.  
10   AND SO WE THINK WE HAVE A PRETTY GOOD HANDLE. THE PIECE THAT  
11   WE'RE WORKING ON IS THE CORPS' ESTIMATE OF WHAT THE COSTS  
12   WOULD BE FOR THE --

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14   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S WHAT WE WERE TALKING ABOUT  
15   EARLIER THIS YEAR IN WASHINGTON.

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17   **MARK PESTRELLA:** YES.

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19   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** FRANK O'BRIEN AND NORM AND JOHNSON?

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21   **FRANK O'BRIEN:** I CAN BE VERY BRIEF. TO THE MEMBERS OF THE  
22   BOARD, I AM VERY EXCITED ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT. I GREW  
23   UP IN COMPTON. AND IN THE LATE '60S AND '70S, THIS WAS NOT  
24   CALLED COMPTON CREEK. WE CALLED IT THE CANAL, BECAUSE THAT'S  
25   THE ONLY WAY WE UNDERSTOOD IT. AND IT WAS A PLACE THAT MY



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1 GENERATION REALLY STAYED AWAY FROM. SO THAT THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
2 HAVE A MOTION TO TURN THIS INTO A COMMUNITY ASSET AS OPPOSED  
3 TO A COMMUNITY EYESORE, IT'S JUST A VERY, VERY HEARTENING  
4 PROSPECT FOR ME. SO I WANT TO JUST SAY HOW ENTHUSIASTICALLY  
5 SUPPORT THIS MOTION TO THE DEGREE THAT MY SUPPORT IS VALUED.  
6 AND THE CONCERN IS THE CATALYTIC ROLE OF THE COUNTY. JUST  
7 LISTENING, AND THE HISTORY THAT I HAVE IN THE CITY OF COMPTON,  
8 THERE'S BEEN CONVERSATION GOING ON FOR A LONG TIME ABOUT WHAT  
9 TO DO WITH COMPTON CREEK. THE WEIGHT OF THE COUNTY JUST BRINGS  
10 A DIFFERENT LEVEL OF RAISING THE BAR, BRINGING THE  
11 STAKEHOLDERS TOGETHER AND BRINGING RESOURCES THAT IT MIGHT BE  
12 DIFFICULT TO GET IF THE COUNTY WERE NOT WEIGHING IN AS HEAVILY  
13 TO GET IT DONE. IT MEANS SOMETHING TO THE CITY OF COMPTON, TO  
14 THE PEOPLE THERE AND IT ALSO MEANS A LOT TO THE COUNTY OF LOS  
15 ANGELES. SO MY HOPE IS THAT THIS BOARD WILL IN FACT SUPPORT  
16 THE MOTION.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

19

20 **FRANK O'BRIEN:** YES, THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE  
21 BOARD. THIS IS REALLY AN EXCELLENT MOTION. THE POINTS THAT  
22 WERE RAISED BY THE GENTLEMAN ARE RIGHT ON POINT. I'D LIKE TO  
23 MAKE, IF I CAN, THREE OVERARCHING COMMENTS AND THEN SOME  
24 SPECIFICS. THE FIRST GENERAL COMMENT IS THE MOTION REPRESENTS  
25 PART OF THE EVOLUTION OF THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC





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1 WORKS FROM A FOCUS ON FLOOD CONTROL AND FLOOD PROTECTION TO A  
2 MORE MULTI-BENEFIT, MULTIPURPOSE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT  
3 APPROACH. AND AS SUPERVISOR KNABE MAY WELL REMEMBER, DURING  
4 THE L.A.C.T.A., THE L.A. RIVER PROJECT, THAT WAS THE FIRST  
5 REAL STEP WHEN THIS EVOLUTION STARTED AND IT CULMINATED IN THE  
6 L.A. RIVER MASTER PLAN, AND A NUMBER OF THINGS THAT ARE GOING  
7 ON IN THE L.A. RIVER. SO THE SECOND POINT I'D LIKE TO MAKE IS  
8 TO TAKE THE LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE L.A. RIVER EXPERIENCE AND  
9 BRING THEM TO BEAR WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT  
10 IN THE COMPTON CREEK BECAUSE SOME OF THE ISSUES ARE DIFFERENT.  
11 AND THE THIRD POINT, THE OVERARCHING POINT, IS TO ADDRESS SOME  
12 OF THE BUDGETARY AND TIMING ISSUES THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY  
13 RAISED, WHICH ARE OBVIOUSLY IN THE CURRENT BUDGET ENVIRONMENT  
14 VERY MUCH ON POINT. THE WAY THE MOTION IS STRUCTURED, I THINK,  
15 IS TO PROVIDE A LOOK AT SOME OF THOSE BUDGET AND TIMING ISSUES  
16 SO THE COUNTY ISN'T SIGNING UP FOR A BIG UP-FRONT CASH  
17 COMMITMENT. AND THE WORK THAT OUR NONPROFIT HAS DONE, OUR  
18 SERVICE AREA RUNS BASICALLY FROM SAN PEDRO UP TO WATTS, HAS  
19 LAID THE GROUNDWORK FOR THIS. WE GOT A GRANT FROM THE  
20 ANNENBERG FOUNDATION TO HELP DO SOME PRELIMINARY PLANNING.  
21 THIS IS ALSO OF GREAT INTEREST TO OTHER MEMBERS OF THE  
22 PHILANTHROPIC COMMUNITY. SO WE'RE HELP TOGETHER PARTNER WITH  
23 THE COUNTY TO GO OUT AND BRING RESOURCES BACK INTO THE  
24 DISTRICT TO ADDRESS NOT JUST THE STRICT FLOOD CONTROL  
25 QUESTIONS, BUT ISSUES OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, OF REMOVAL OF



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1 BLIGHT, OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND THERE'S CERTAINLY A YOUTH  
2 EDUCATION COMPONENT IN THIS SORT OF PROJECT, AS WELL. SO THIS  
3 MOTION IS A REALLY GOOD ROADMAP TO START REALLY ADDRESSING  
4 THESE FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES IN A VERY IMPORTANT AREA IN LOS  
5 ANGELES COUNTY. SO YOUR FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION IS VERY MUCH  
6 APPRECIATED. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GREAT. THANKS. MARK.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. YOU'VE  
11 HEARD FROM BOTH THE REVEREND NORMAN JOHNSON, PASTOR OF THE  
12 FIRST NEW CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH, AS WELL AS  
13 FRANK O'BRIEN, WHO IS REPRESENTING THE HARBOR-WATTS ECONOMIC  
14 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, BOTH WHO HAVE IN A VERY CLEAR, THAT IS  
15 TO SAY ARTICULATE WAY, CAPTURED THE THRUST OF WHAT WE ARE  
16 SEEKING TO DO; THAT IS, TO POSITION THE COMPTON CREEK IN A  
17 CATALYTIC WAY THAT DEALS WITH THE QUESTION OF COMMUNITY  
18 BUILDING, DEALS WITH THE ISSUE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROMOTION AND  
19 PROTECTION. AND FINALLY, DOES WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE ON THE  
20 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FRONT. THIS PORTENDS VERY PROMISING  
21 OUTCOMES, AND A POSITIVE, THAT IS TO SAY A PRUDENT WAY OF  
22 DOING SO. STAFF HAS SPOKEN VERY EFFECTIVELY TO OUR CONCERNS.  
23 AND LET ME JUST SIMPLY SAY IN THE CONTEXT OF WHAT THE COUNTY  
24 IS DOING OVERALL, BE MINDFUL OF THE WORK THAT'S BEEN DONE TO  
25 THE LOS ANGELES RIVER, WITH RESPECT TO THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER.



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1 AND THE PLANNING PROCESSES AND EFFORTS THAT HAVE BEEN DONE  
2 THERE IN A RATHER SUCCESSFUL WAY CAN AND SHOULD BE REPLICATED  
3 IN THE CONTEXT OF WHAT WE SEEK TO DO WITH RESPECT TO THE  
4 COMPTON CREEK. WATERSHED ISSUES ARE NOT UNIQUE TO THE COMPTON  
5 CREEK, THEY ARE ACROSS-THE-BOARD. AND IT'S APPROPRIATE, AS WE  
6 THINK ABOUT THIS, MR. CHAIRMAN, TO LOOK AT THE ALLOCATION OF  
7 RESOURCES ACROSS THE COUNTY TO LEARN FROM THOSE EFFORTS IN  
8 DISTRICTS 1 THROUGH 5 AND TO THINK ABOUT THIS HOLISTICALLY.  
9 AND I THINK WE'LL HAVE AN OUTCOME IN 60 DAYS THAT MAKES SENSE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
12 RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT. IS THERE ANY  
13 OBJECTIONS? WE ARE GOING TO GET A BUDGET BACK IN 60 DAYS, IS  
14 THAT CORRECT?

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BACK TO THE BOARD, RIGHT?

17

18 **MARK PESTRELLA:** YES.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE GOING TO GET A BUDGET BACK, BUT  
21 ALSO WE DON'T KNOW FOR SURE YET WHETHER THE CORPS IS GOING TO  
22 BE A PARTNER. I MEAN, THEY WANT TO BE A PARTNER. THEY MADE IT  
23 VERY CLEAR. BUT OBVIOUSLY THEY HAVE APPROPRIATION ISSUES THAT  
24 THEY'RE TRYING TO DEAL WITH. AND WHEN WE RAISED THIS ISSUE OF  
25 COMPTON CREEK WHEN WE WERE BACK THERE IN ADDITION TO MARINA



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1 DEL REY AND ALL THE OTHER PROJECTS THAT WE -- OF COURSE TRULY  
2 WANTS TO BE A PARTNER IN THIS PROJECT BUT AGAIN IT'S  
3 APPROPRIATIONS ISSUE.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ARE YOU GOING TO RESOLVE THAT ISSUE ON THE  
6 CORPS IN THE NEXT 60 DAYS DO YOU THINK?

7

8 **MARK PESTRELLA:** YES. WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE CORPS EARLY  
9 SINCE --

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BECAUSE THEY'RE GOING TO HELP ESTABLISH  
12 THE BUDGET.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY'RE WILL BE PART OF THE INTERAGENCY  
15 GROUP.

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17 **MARK PESTRELLA:** ABSOLUTELY.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST AN ASIDE BEFORE WE APPROVE THIS. HAVE  
20 WE DONE AN ECOSYSTEMS STUDY BEFORE IN THE COUNTY?

21

22 **MARK PESTRELLA:** WE HAVEN'T USED THIS TERMINOLOGY, BUT WE'VE  
23 ESSENTIALLY DONE A WATERSHED PLAN. THE TERMINOLOGY ECOSYSTEM  
24 RESTORATION PLAN IS ESSENTIALLY THE CORPS'S TERMINOLOGY FOR A  
25 WATERSHED PLAN.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE NEW LANGUAGE. WE'VE DONE ONE DOWN IN  
3 LONG BEACH VERY SUCCESSFULLY.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** A LOT OF GOOD WORK HAS BEEN DONE, I THINK,  
6 MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES. AND AS WE LOOK AT THE REPORT BACK  
7 THAT'S BEING CALLED FOR, I HAVE NO OBJECTION TO FURTHER  
8 REFINEMENT IN TERMS OF BEST PRACTICES, PROMISING PRACTICES  
9 THAT HAVE HAPPENED IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY THAT COULD BE  
10 USEFUL HERE AND THE ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES THAT DROVE THOSE  
11 OUTCOMES WOULD BE USEFUL IN THE OTHER DISTRICTS, AS WELL.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK THAT THE BIG THING HERE IS NOT  
14 SO MUCH REFINEMENT, BECAUSE I THINK EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS WHAT  
15 THIS IS. AND IT'S A GOOD PROJECT. I THINK THE BIG THING IS THE  
16 BUDGET PIECE. OKAY WITH THAT, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
17 THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING DOWN.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
20 MR. CHAIRMAN, I CALL ITEM 79, WHICH DEALS WITH THE EAST RANCHO  
21 DOMINGUEZ LIBRARY.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 79?

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25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC HEARING.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING?  
3 PARDON ME? WE HAVE A PIECE OF FORMALITY HERE. THE EXECUTIVE  
4 OFFICER JUST REMINDED ME. IF YOU'RE GOING TO TESTIFY ON ITEM  
5 79, PLEASE STAND UP. I HAVE TWO SPEAKERS, SINETTA AND  
6 MARGARET, WE'RE GOING TO MAKE SURE YOU STAND UP.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PLEASE STAND UP AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND  
9 TO BE SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS  
10 BOARD, TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE  
11 TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU, YOU MAY BE SEATED. ON ITEM  
12 NO. 79, THIS IS THE HEARING TO EXERCISE THE OPTION AND TO  
13 CONSUMMATE THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 15305  
14 THROUGH 15311 SOUTH ATLANTIC AVENUE, CITY OF COMPTON IN THE  
15 AMOUNT OF \$894,000, PLUS TITLE AND ESCROW FEES OF  
16 APPROXIMATELY 7,500 FROM JOHN E. TAIT AND ELOISE TAIT,  
17 TRUSTEES TAIT FAMILY TRUST, TO ACCOMMODATE THE NEW EAST RANCHO  
18 DOMINGUEZ LIBRARY.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITH THAT, DO YOU WANT A STAFF REPORT  
21 FIRST OR WOULD YOU LIKE TO JUST CALL THOSE? BECAUSE THEY'RE IN  
22 FAVOR OF THIS PARTICULAR ITEM. I'M NOT SURE THAT WE NEED. DO  
23 YOU NEED A STAFF REPORT?

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO.





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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD ASK SINETTA FARLEY AND MARGARET  
3 COMER TO JOIN US.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THEN I HAVE A MOTION TO READ IN.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEN THERE WILL BE A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR  
8 RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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10 **SINETTA FARLEY:** GOOD MORNING.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

13

14 **SINETTA FARLEY:** MY NAME IS SINETTA FARLEY AND TO THE  
15 CHAIRPERSON AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I GREET YOU IN  
16 BEHALF OF EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. WE'RE  
17 HERE IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 79. WE HAVE LONG AWAITED THIS LIBRARY.  
18 OUR CURRENT LIBRARY IS OVERCROWDED, SO MUCH THAT SOMETIMES  
19 MANY OF OUR CITIZENS WHO GO INTO IN TO USE THE LIBRARY HAVE TO  
20 SIT ON THE FLOOR. WE NEED THE LIBRARY FOR COMMUNITY AND EASY  
21 ACCESS. FROM OUR SCHOOLS, SOME OF OUR TEACHERS USE OUR LIBRARY  
22 TO SUPPORT THEIR EFFORTS OF RESEARCH FOR THEIR STUDENTS. AND  
23 MORE THAN HALF OF OUR HOMEOWNERS DO NOT HAVE COMPUTERS. JOB  
24 SEARCH AND FILING FOR UNEMPLOYMENT IS VERY CRITICAL WITH THE  
25 USE OF COMPUTERS IN OUR LIBRARIES. THE LIBRARY MEETS THE NEEDS



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1 OF OUR HOMELESS, OUR VETERANS TO DO JOB SEARCH. WE ARE A GROUP  
2 OF RESIDENTS OF BOTH AFRICAN AMERICAN AND HISPANIC. AND WITH  
3 ME TODAY ARE SOME OF OUR MEMBERS. AND I'M GOING TO ASK THEM TO  
4 STAND, PLEASE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL THE MEMBERS STAND. VERY GOOD,  
7 WELCOME.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WONDERFUL.

10

11 **SINETTA FARLEY:** WE WORK VERY HARD IN OUR COMMUNITY TO DO A  
12 GOOD JOB. AND WE THANK THIS TIME FOR ALLOWING US TO BE  
13 PROACTIVE IN THE EFFORTS OF THIS NEW LIBRARY. WE WOULD LIKE  
14 THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH LIBRARY STAFF. AND GIVEN OUR  
15 INPUT ON WHAT WE THINK WE SHOULD HAVE IN OUR LIBRARY AND WHAT  
16 OUR NEEDS ARE. AND NOW I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO MRS.  
17 COMER.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELCOME.

20

21 **MARGARET COMER:** SUPERVISOR KNABE AND OUR SUPERVISOR MARK  
22 RIDLEY-THOMAS. I THANK YOU FOR GIVING US THE PRIVILEGE TO  
23 SPEAK TO YOU TODAY ABOUT THE NEW LIBRARY. I'VE BEEN A LIBRARY  
24 COMMISSIONER, I WAS A FRIEND OF THE LIBRARY AT THE EAST  
25 COMPTON LIBRARY, WHICH IS A VERY SMALL LIBRARY. AND OVER THE



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1 YEARS, IT'S IN A LEASED BUILDING, AND OVER THE YEARS, THERE'S  
2 BEEN LACK OF PARKING. IT'S LIKE A PARKING. WE HAVE TO SHARE  
3 THE PARKING WITH THE GROCERY STORE NEXT DOOR. SO I'M GLAD AND  
4 APPRECIATE THAT WE'RE GOING TO GET, HOPEFULLY, A NEW LIBRARY,  
5 WHERE THERE'LL BE PLENTY OF PARKING. IN OUR COMMUNITY, THERE'S  
6 NO SCHOOL, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, IN THE COMMUNITY WHO HAS A  
7 LIBRARY EQUIPPED OR STAFFED TO SUPPORT THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS  
8 OF STUDENTS. THERE ARE MANY STUDENTS ALSO LIVING IN VERY  
9 CROWDED CONDITIONS. AND THEY GO TO THE LIBRARY TO SEEK QUIET  
10 AND PEACE WHERE THEY CAN DO THEIR HOMEWORK. WE THANK THE BOARD  
11 OF SUPERVISORS FOR RECOGNIZING OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS. THE NEW  
12 LIBRARY WILL REVITALIZE OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY, FAMILIES,  
13 PROPERTY VALUES, SCHOOLS AND SOCIAL ECONOMIC ASPIRATIONS. ONE  
14 THING I'D LIKE TO SAY, THAT JUST DOWN THE STREET TWO BLOCKS,  
15 THERE'S ALSO COMING -- THEY'RE BUILDING NOW A 72-UNIT LOW  
16 INCOME PROJECT. AND OUT OF THAT PROJECT, WE PROBABLY WILL SEE  
17 MAYBE 100 OR 200 ADDITIONAL CHILDREN. THAT'S ANOTHER REASON  
18 WHY WE NEED THE LIBRARY. AND I THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US THIS  
19 PRIVILEGE TO COME BEFORE YOU TODAY.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SINETTA FARLEY:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY TO OUR SUPERVISOR,  
24 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU IN OUR  
25 COMMUNITY. AND WE HAVE A LOT OF THINGS GOING ON. AND SO WE



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1 LOOK FORWARD TO IT. THANK YOU ALL. AND WE KNOW THAT HE CAN'T  
2 DO IT WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORTING HIM.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OTHERWISE IT DIES FOR LACK OF A SECOND.  
5 WE DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN. [LAUGHTER.] ANYTHING ELSE?

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** JUST TO READ IN THE MOTION.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. AND LET  
12 ME PROCEED TO SUGGEST THAT THE DEMANDS ON THE COUNTY LIBRARY  
13 SYSTEM IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ  
14 HAVE LONG OUTGROWN THE CAPACITY OF THE EXISTING FACILITY,  
15 WHICH IS LESS THAN 5,000 SQUARE FEET. IT LACKS ADEQUATE  
16 PARKING AND CONTAINS OUTDATED TECHNOLOGY. MR. CHAIRMAN,  
17 MEMBERS, WE CAN DO BETTER. THIS NEW LIBRARY THAT'S BEING  
18 PROPOSED CONSTITUTES WHAT WOULD BE A CATALYTIC HUB OF COUNTY  
19 SERVICES AND ENHANCE THE REVITALIZATION EFFORTS CURRENTLY  
20 UNDERWAY WITHIN THE EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ COMMUNITY. THE  
21 PROPOSED NEW LIBRARY WILL BE INCREASED BY SOME 40 PERCENT. AND  
22 I WANT TO SAY THAT THE COMMUNITY SHOULD BE COMMENDED FOR ITS  
23 WORK TO POSITIVELY MOVE THIS AGENDA FORWARD. THE NEW LIBRARY  
24 WILL BE A MUCH NEEDED ATTRACTIVE SPACE FOR THE COMMUNITY. AND  
25 IT IS IMPORTANT TO RESTATE THAT LIBRARIES ARE IMPORTANT TO



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1 STABILIZE AND ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF LIFE. I THEREFORE MOVE  
2 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, ADOPT  
3 THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND MITIGATED MONITORING  
4 AND REPORTING PROGRAM PREPARED FOR THIS PROJECT UNDER THE  
5 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT. AND FINALLY, APPROVE THE  
6 PROJECT AND DIRECT THE C.E.O. AND OTHER APPROPRIATE COUNTY  
7 DEPARTMENTS TO CARRY OUT THE NECESSARY STEPS TO ACQUIRE THE  
8 PROPERTY AND CONSTRUCT A LIBRARY AS OUTLINED IN THE BOARD  
9 LETTER. I SO MOVE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND THAT. ARE  
12 THERE ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS? ANY OBJECTIONS? SO  
13 ORDERED. THANK YOU BOTH. THANK YOU. THANK ALL OF YOU BOARD  
14 MEMBERS, FOR COMING DOWN, AS WELL. MR. CHAIRMAN, I NOW HAVE,  
15 THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU. NOW I'D LIKE TO READ  
16 IN ITEM 70 AND 71. I WANT TO JUST SIMPLY SAY GIVEN THE CURRENT  
17 ATMOSPHERE AND THE HEIGHTENED NATIONAL SECURITY AND THREAT  
18 THAT IS OFTEN POSED BY TERRORISM TO PUBLIC SAFETY  
19 COMMUNICATION BETWEEN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
20 OFFICIALS IS CRITICAL. UNDER LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT  
21 CHANGES PRIVATE SECURITY COMPANIES FOR ITS BUILDINGS AND  
22 FACILITIES, IT PUTS THE TENANTS OF SUCH BUILDINGS AND  
23 FACILITIES POTENTIALLY AT RISK, BECAUSE THE NEW SECURITY  
24 COMPANY MAY HIRE OFFICERS TO PROTECT THE BUILDING THAT HAVE  
25 NEVER WORKED IN THAT AREA AND ARE NOT AWARE OF THE SAFETY



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1 HAZARDS OR BUILDING ROUTINES. IT IS A LEARNING PROCESS. THIS  
2 LIMITED TRANSITIONAL PERIOD ENHANCES THE SAFETY OF THOSE  
3 TENANTS BY REQUIRING PROTECTION BY THOSE OFFICERS WHO ARE  
4 FAMILIAR WITH THE AREA THAT THEY ARE REQUIRED TO PROTECT. I  
5 WANT TO MOVE, THEN, THAT WE DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
6 TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS  
7 TO IMPLEMENT A COUNTY-WIDE POLICY WHICH ADDRESSES THE ISSUES  
8 ARISING OUT OF THE SITUATION WHERE A CONTRACTOR PROVIDING  
9 SECURITY SERVICES FOR THIS COUNTY OR AT COUNTY BUILDINGS AND  
10 FACILITIES, THEY DEFAULT ON OR ARE UNABLE TO EXECUTE THE TERMS  
11 OF SUCH SECURITY SERVICE CONTRACT, WE DO WHAT IS REQUIRED IN  
12 ORDER TO SUSTAIN THE CONSISTENCY OF THE SERVICE AND WORK AND  
13 THE EMPLOYMENT OF THOSE PERSONS PROVIDING THAT WORK. THE  
14 BALANCE IS LAID OUT HERE WITH SOME DEGREE OF SPECIFICITY, MR.  
15 CHAIRMAN. I WILL NOT BELABOR THE POINT. I SIMPLY WANT TO ASK  
16 THAT WE CONSIDER THIS ITEM. THERE ARE PERSONS HERE TO ADDRESS  
17 IT. AND I WOULD RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THEY BE AFFORDED AN  
18 OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO. NO ONE'S SIGNED UP?

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS THERE A SECOND?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'LL SECOND IT. I HAVE A QUESTION.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU HAVE A QUESTION? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** QUESTION. MR. FUJIOKA.

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3    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO. NO ONE'S HERE.

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5    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RELATIVE TO THE REPORT, YOU DID NOT INDICATE  
6    IF THIS SECURITY FIRM SATISFIED THE REQUIREMENT RELATIVE TO  
7    THAT WORKER'S COMPENSATION REQUIREMENT. I KNOW YOU SAID THAT'S  
8    THE PROCEDURE THAT'S IN THE R.F.P. BUT DID THIS SPECIFIC FIRM  
9    HAVE THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS REAFFIRMED THAT THEY WERE BEING MADE  
10   AND THEY WERE NOT IN VIOLATION OF THEIR AGREEMENT?

11

12   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I BELIEVE AS A PART OF THE REVIEW OF THIS  
13   ITEM, WE DETERMINED THAT THE COMPANY WAS NOT MAKING ITS  
14   WORKERS' COMP.

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF THAT WAS THE CASE, THEN WHY WOULD WE WANT  
17   TO CONTINUE THEM FOR 60 MORE DAYS?

18

19   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ARE YOU REFERRING TO A COMPANY THAT WE'RE  
20   CANCELING? THE INTERNATIONAL COMPANY? OR THE NEW COMPANY? THE  
21   INTERNATIONAL COMPANY WE'RE ASKING FOR TERMINATION.

22

23   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PREVIOUS COMPANY.

24



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1    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'RE ASKING FOR A TERMINATION OF THEIR  
2    CONTRACT.

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4    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IT'S ALSO CONTINUING THEM, ISN'T IT, FOR  
5    ANOTHER 60 DAYS?

6

7    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO. THE EMPLOYEES.

8

9    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO, NO. IT DEALS WITH THE STAFF THAT ARE  
10    THERE. BUT WITH RESPECT TO THE COMPANY, WE ARE ASKING TO  
11    TERMINATE THAT CONTRACT.

12

13    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. BUT IN YOUR REPORT ON PAGE 3, UNDER  
14    WORKER'S COMPENSATION VERIFICATION REQUIREMENT, YOU DIDN'T  
15    STATE IF THIS COMPANY HAD COMPLIED.

16

17    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IF WE DID THAT WAS AN OVERSIGHT BECAUSE IT WAS  
18    DETERMINED THAT THE COMPANY DID NOT COMPLY WITH THE WORKER'S  
19    COMP REQUIREMENT FOR THIS CONTRACT.

20

21    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT WAS THE QUESTION.

22

23    **SUP. MOLINA:** IS THAT CLARIFIED? ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER  
24    QUESTIONS? SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES. I HAVE A COUPLE QUESTIONS. FIRST OF  
2   ALL, IN OUR LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE, DOES LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE  
3   APPLY TO THESE CONTRACTS?

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5   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I BELIEVE IT DOES.

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7   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN WE FIND --

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9   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'LL HAVE SOMEONE COME UP TO SPEAK TO THAT,  
10   TO VERIFY THAT. STAFF, COME ON UP. BUT THEY'RE SAYING YES, IT  
11   DOES, LIVING WAGE DOES.

12

13   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. SO IF IT DOES, WHAT WILL THIS -- THE  
14   PROVISIONS THAT ARE CALLED FOR IN THIS MOTION ARE IN THE  
15   LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE, ARE THEY NOT? IS THERE A DIFFERENCE  
16   BETWEEN WHAT'S BEING CALLED FOR HERE AND WHAT'S IN THE LIVING  
17   WAGE ORDINANCE?

18

19   **MARGO MORALES:** ACTUALLY, SUPERVISOR, MARGO MORALES, OFFICE OF  
20   PUBLIC SAFETY, THE LANGUAGE THAT YOU HAVE IS ALREADY IN OUR  
21   CONTRACTS.

22

23   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** PURSUANT TO THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE?

24

25   **MARGO MORALES:** MM-HM. WE HAVE THE RETENTION.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THIS DOES NOT REPRESENT ANY SUBSTANTIVE  
3 CHANGE?

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5 **MARGO MORALES:** NO, SIR.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, BUT THE SHERIFF'S CONTRACTS DO NOT HAVE IT.

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9 **MARGO MORALES:** I CAN'T SPEAK TO THE SHERIFFS' CONTRACTS.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S WHAT I'M ASKING FOR. DOES THE LIVING  
12 WAGE ORDINANCE APPLY TO THESE CONTRACTS, THE ONES THAT ARE ON  
13 THESE --

14

15 **MARGO MORALES:** IT APPLIES TO THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
16 CONTRACTS.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THIS AN OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY CONTRACT  
19 OR A SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT CONTRACT?

20

21 **MARGO MORALES:** ITEM 70 IS OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND 71 IS SHERIFF'S CONTRACT, IS IT NOT?

24

25 **MARGO MORALES:** YES.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THIS WOULD APPLY TO THE SHERIFF'S -- THIS  
3 MOTION WOULD EXTEND THE PROVISIONS OF THE LIVING WAGE  
4 ORDINANCE TO SHERIFFS'S CONTRACT FOR SECURITY OR TO ANY OTHER  
5 DEPARTMENT?

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THIS IS MORE ACCURATELY DEFINED AS THE  
8 WORKER RETENTION ORDINANCE, NOT LIVING WAGE. SO THEY DO MEAN  
9 TWO DISTINCT THINGS. PARDON?

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** MY UNDERSTANDING, CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, THAT  
12 THERE IS -- I GUESS THE COMPONENT IS NOT IN THE SHERIFF'S  
13 CONTRACT.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** EXACTLY.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THAT IS SOMETHING WE SHOULD CHANGE, IS THAT  
18 CORRECT?

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT IS IN THE O.P.S. CONTRACT, BUT IT IS NOT IN  
21 THE -- CORRECT, IN THE SHERIFF'S CONTRACT.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THAT'S WHAT THIS LANGUAGE DOES.

24



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1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, BUT I'M SEEKING TO CLARIFY A POINT.  
2   THIS SPEAKS TO WORKER RETENTION RATHER THAN LIVING WAGE. SO  
3   THIS DOESN'T ADDRESS THE QUESTION OF COMPENSATION, AS SUCH.  
4   THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE, AS IT WOULD HAVE BEEN PROMULGATED,  
5   WOULD HAVE SET THE PARAMETERS OF COMPENSATION. THIS DOESN'T  
6   SEEK TO DEAL WITH THIS. IT ESSENTIALLY DEALS WITH THE  
7   RETENTION OF THE WORKFORCE IN THE EVENT OF TERMINATION.

8

9   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD.

10

11   **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, BUT I MEAN THAT'S TRUE THAT THAT'S WHAT THIS  
12   IS ABOUT. BUT THE ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION IS THAT IT'S MY  
13   UNDERSTANDING THE SHERIFF'S CONTRACT DOES NOT HAVE THE LIVING  
14   WAGE ORDINANCE.

15

16   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. DO WE HAVE A SEPARATE WORKER  
17   RETENTION ORDINANCE AS WELL AS A LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE?

18

19   **MARGO MORALES:** NOT THAT I'M AWARE OF.

20

21   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHEN IT COMES TO THE O.P.S. CONTRACTS,  
22   SHERIFF'S ARE DIFFERENT AS WE'VE LEARNED. BUT WHEN IT COMES TO  
23   THE O.P.S. CONTRACTS, THE WORKER RETENTION, THEY ARE THEY ARE  
24   REQUIRED AMONG OTHER THINGS AS PART OF LIVING WAGE -- THIS IS



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1 A QUESTION. ARE THEY REQUIRED AS PART OF, IN ADDITION TO  
2 PROVIDING A LIVING WAGE --

3

4 **MARGO MORALES:** I'M NOT SURE, SUPERVISOR THAT THAT'S ACTUALLY  
5 PART OF LIVING WAGE, BUT I MEAN IT IS PART OF OUR CONTRACT.  
6 AND IT'S BEEN PART OF OUR CONTRACTS GOING BACK FOR AS LONG AS  
7 THEY'VE BEEN IN PLACE.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T REMEMBER WHETHER IT'S PART OF LIVING  
10 WAGE, EITHER. BUT I KNOW THAT IT WAS PART OF SOMETHING THAT WE  
11 DID. I THINK SUPERVISOR MOLINA BROUGHT SOMETHING IN A WHILE  
12 BACK. THIS GOES BACK A COUPLE OF YEARS. AND THAT'S PROBABLY  
13 WHY IT'S IN THERE. BUT IT'S NOT IN THE SHERIFF'S PIECE. SO IS  
14 THIS GOING TO TRACK WHAT WE HAVE IN THE CONTRACTS FOR O.P.S.?  
15 ESSENTIALLY POUND FOR POUND IT WILL BE THE SAME THING? IT'S  
16 EXTENDING THOSE SAME PROTECTIONS TO THE SHERIFF?

17

18 **MARGO MORALES:** YES.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT YOUR UNDERSTANDING, YOUR INTENT?

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT'S THE INTENT.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL IT SHOULD, YEAH.

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH. I TOTALLY AGREE.

2

3    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BUT THIS IS ONLY A RETENTION ISSUE.

4

5    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT WHERE IS THIS GOING TO BE  
6    MEMORIALIZED? IS IT GOING TO BE A POLICY OR IS IT GOING TO BE  
7    AN ORDINANCE OR IS IT DIRECTED TO INCLUDE THAT IN THE  
8    CONTRACTS? WHERE IS THIS GOING TO BE -- WHERE WILL ONE KNOW  
9    THAT THESE ARE THE RULES ONCE THIS IS APPROVED?

10

11    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT IF I CAN RECALL  
12    THE PREDECESSOR ORDINANCES IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS, IT WAS  
13    SYSTEM-WIDE, THEREFORE IT TOOK ON THE FORM OF AN ORDINANCE. IN  
14    THIS INSTANCE, IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT WE HAVE A SPECIFIC  
15    DEPARTMENT WHERE SUCH DOES NOT APPLY, IT WOULD SEEM THAT WE  
16    CAN DIRECT IT SPECIFICALLY, MR. FUJIOKA, TO THE SHERIFF'S AS  
17    DEEMED APPROPRIATE. BUT IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS IS  
18    COUNTY-WIDE POLICY, WHICH I THINK IS APPROPRIATE, AN ORDINANCE  
19    MAY BE IN ORDER. AND THEREFORE, COUNTY COUNSEL SHOULD WEIGH IN  
20    AND ASSIST IN SUPPORT OF IT.

21

22    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AND THAT WOULD BE THE KEY, FIRST IS THE POLICY  
23    THEN AN ORDINANCE.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COUNTY COUNSEL, DO YOU HAVE ANY LIGHT TO  
2   SHED ON THIS NOW? IS IT YOUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS IS PART  
3   OF LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE NOW?

4

5   **ROBERT KALUNIAN, COUNSEL:** I BELIEVE IT IS, SUPERVISOR. IT IS  
6   PART OF THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE.

7

8   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DOES THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE NOT APPLY TO  
9   THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT? HOW COULD IT NOT?

10

11   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I BELIEVE IT DOES.

12

13   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU BELIEVE IT DOES.

14

15   **SUP. MOLINA:** IT DOES, BUT IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING IT DOESN'T  
16   CONTAIN ALL OF THE ELEMENTS OF IT. AND I DON'T KNOW WHY.

17

18   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, THEY THINK IT DOES.

19

20   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT TYPICALLY, LIVING WAGE IS GOING TO GO  
21   TO SERVICES THAT ARE CONTRACTED OUT.

22

23   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CONTRACTED OUT.

24



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1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PRECISELY, RIGHT? AND I WOULD THINK THAT  
2   WE WOULD HAVE A COUNTY-WIDE POLICY IN THAT INSTANCE. THERE  
3   SHOULD BE NO DEPARTMENT THAT'S EXEMPTED.

4

5   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BUT IF I CAN HELP WITH THAT. I WAS JUST TOLD  
6   THAT THE SHERIFF'S CONTRACT WAS EXEMPT FROM PROP A BECAUSE IT  
7   WAS CONSIDERED AN AS-NEEDED CONTRACT. SO THAT WAS A DECISION  
8   MADE SOME TIME IN THE PAST. BUT THERE IS AN EXEMPTION FOR THE  
9   SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

10

11   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I DON'T KNOW WHY THAT--

12

13   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HANG ON A SECOND.

14

15   **SUP. MOLINA:** WE WEREN'T INFORMED OF THAT AT THE TIME.

16

17   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT HAS THIS GOT TO DO WITH PROP A?

18

19   **LEELA KAPUR, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISORS, THE SHERIFF'S CONTRACT IN  
20   DISCUSSION HERE WAS EXEMPT FROM THE PROP A ORDINANCE AND  
21   THEREFORE, EXEMPT FROM THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE BECAUSE IT  
22   WAS DEEMED TO BE AS NEEDED. THAT'S A SPECIFIC EXEMPTION WITH  
23   PROP A. IT'S NOT BECAUSE IT WAS A SHERIFF'S CONTRACT IT WAS  
24   BECAUSE OF THE QUANTITY OF SERVICES THEY NEEDED TO CONTRACT  
25   FOR THE TIME.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS AN AS-NEEDED CONTRACT?

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4 **LEELA KAPUR:** AN AS-NEEDED CONTRACT IS A CONTRACT WHERE YOU  
5 NEED SERVICES ON AN INTERMITTENT BASIS.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FOR 30 DAYS, SAY.

8

9 **LEELA KAPUR:** IT'S NOT NECESSARILY LENGTH IN TIME, IT MIGHT BE  
10 THAT YOU DON'T NEED THEM EVERY DAY.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EVERY DAY?

13

14 **LEELA KAPUR:** RIGHT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, THIS SHERIFF'S CONTRACT THAT WE HAVE  
17 HERE, WHAT WAS THE NATURE OF THAT CONTRACT?

18

19 **LEELA KAPUR:** I DON'T KNOW THE DETAILS, EXCEPT TO BE ABLE TO  
20 TELL YOU THAT A FINDING OR CONCLUSION WAS REACHED THAT IT  
21 QUALIFIED AS AS-NEEDED BACK WHEN IT WAS LET.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE SOMEBODY IN THE ROOM WHO KNOWS  
24 ANYTHING ABOUT THIS CONTRACT? FORGET THE AMENDMENT THAT MR.  
25 RIDLEY-THOMAS IS MAKING. ABOUT THE ISSUE THAT'S ON THE AGENDA.



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1 IS THERE ANYBODY HERE FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WHO CAN  
2 SPEAK TO IT? ANYBODY FROM THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE WHO KNOWS WHAT  
3 THIS IS ALL ABOUT?

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** MY STAFF TELLS ME IT HAS TO DO WITH SHERIFFS IN  
6 THE COURTROOM. IS IT FOR TRANSFERRING?

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT'S OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THESE POSITIONS  
9 WERE ASSIGNED TO SEVERAL OF THE COURTROOMS, AND WHERE THERE'S  
10 AN ABSENCE WITH PERMANENT STAFF, THEY WOULD CALL SOMEONE IN TO  
11 FILL THE KIND OF FRONT DOOR SECURITY POSTS AT THE COURT ROOMS.  
12 NOT THE BAILIFFS WITHIN THE COURTROOMS, BUT THE SECURITY  
13 POSTS. WE DON'T BELIEVE IT WAS A FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT OR  
14 POSITION, THAT IT WAS DONE BASICALLY TO FILL VACANCIES OR  
15 UNEXPECTED ABSENCES.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO WE KNOW WHAT THE SHERIFF WAS PAYING THESE  
18 AS-NEEDED EMPLOYEES? WERE THEY PAYING BELOW THE LIVING WAGE?

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I DON'T HAVE THAT INFORMATION WITH ME.  
21 SHARON'S CALLING RIGHT NOW TO FIND OUT.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN WE HOLD THIS ON THE DESK UNTIL THEY GET  
24 THAT INFORMATION? IT'S NOT--

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1    **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S NOT A PROBLEM. I THINK WE SHOULD DO IT.  
2    CAN I ASK A QUESTION THOUGH? I JUST THINK THAT IN ORDER TO  
3    CLARIFY THE MOTION, WE DO NEED TO AMEND THE LIVING WAGE  
4    ORDINANCE, BECAUSE I DON'T THINK WE HAVE THESE PROTECTIONS IN  
5    PLACE. AND I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE.

6

7    **MARGO MORALES:** SUPERVISOR, THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE HAS THE  
8    RETENTION RIGHTS EXACTLY AS IN SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S  
9    MOTION.

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11   **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN WHY WASN'T IT IN THERE?

12

13   **MARGO MORALES:** I BELIEVE WHAT O.P.S. SAID IS IT IS IN THEIR  
14   CONTRACT, BUT THAT LANGUAGE WAS I BELIEVE NOT IN THE SHERIFF'S  
15   CONTRACT BECAUSE THAT WAS NOT COVERED BY THE LIVING WAGE  
16   ORDINANCE.

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18   **SUP. MOLINA:** LET'S START AGAIN. THIS IS THE O.P.S. CONTRACT,  
19   RIGHT?

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21   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, THERE ARE TWO CONTRACTS.

22

23   **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, I KNOW THERE ARE. BUT THIS IS THE O.P.S.  
24   CONTRACT, RIGHT NOW?

25



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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO. THEY'RE BOTH BEFORE US.

2

3    **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. THESE EMPLOYEES WERE LEFT OUT IN  
4    THE COLD IN BOTH OF THESE CONTRACTS.

5

6    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BUT IN FACT, THEY WEREN'T. BECAUSE I HAVE NO.  
7    70, FOR THOSE ASSIGNED TO THE O.P.S., AND ALSO THOSE IN THE  
8    SHERIFF'S CONTRACT, TO A LARGE EXTENT, THEY ALL RECEIVE JOBS  
9    WITH THE SUCCESSOR CONTRACTOR. THOSE WHO DIDN'T--

10

11   **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND THAT, BILL, BECAUSE WE WERE INVOLVED  
12   IN THAT. BUT I TALKED TO THE CONTRACTOR AGAIN. MANY OF THESE  
13   GUYS WERE JUST DROPPED. I MEAN, THEY DIDN'T PAID FOR A COUPLE  
14   OF DAYS --

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16   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COUPLE OF WEEKS, THEY LOST TWO WEEKS' WORTH  
17   OF PAY.

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19   **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, I DON'T THINK THEY LOST IT, I THOUGHT WE  
20   MADE IT UP FOR THEM.

21

22   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I DON'T BELIEVE WE MADE IT UP.

23

24   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T THINK WE DID.

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1   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE DON'T HAVE THE FINANCIAL OBLIGATION TO MAKE  
2   IT UP, BECAUSE IT WAS THE EMPLOYER WHO FAILED TO PAY THESE  
3   INDIVIDUALS. WHAT WE DID IS WE STEPPED IN AND INSURED THAT  
4   THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE PICKED UP BY THE SUCCESSOR CONTRACTOR.  
5   THOSE WHO DIDN'T WERE THOSE WHO HAD SOME PERFORMANCE ISSUES OR  
6   DISCIPLINARY ISSUES. OTHERWISE, THEY WERE PICKED UP.

7

8   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I MEAN, THAT WAS ONE OF THE RECENT  
9   CONCERNS FOR THE CONTINUANCE WAS THE FACT THAT THEY WEREN'T  
10   GETTING PAID.

11

12   **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THEY JUST SAID THEY HAD. ALL RIGHT, THEN  
13   LET'S GO BACK TO THIS ISSUE, BECAUSE I THOUGHT IT WAS O.P.S.  
14   DID NOT HAVE THESE RETENTION PROVISIONS IN THAT. SO THAT IS  
15   NOT TRUE, YOU DO HAVE THAT.

16

17   **MARGO MORALES:** YES MA'AM.

18

19   **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IF IN FACT THAT WAS THE CASE, WHY -- WERE YOU  
20   INVOLVED WHEN THIS THING WAS GOING ON SO THAT THEY DIDN'T LOSE  
21   THESE TWO WEEKS? DON'T YOU HAVE OVERSIGHT OR RESPONSIBILITY?

22

23   **MARGO MORALES:** WELL THERE'S THE ISSUE OF RETENTION AND THEN  
24   THERE'S THE ISSUE OF THE PAY THAT THEIR PREVIOUS EMPLOYER DID



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1 NOT MAKE. AND WE'VE BEEN ADVISED BY COUNTY COUNSEL THAT THAT'S  
2 UNDER THE PURVIEW OF THE BANKRUPTCY COURT.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT AT WHAT POINT IN TIME DID YOU  
5 HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO INTERVENE, OR WHEN DID EMPLOYEES HAVE  
6 A RESPONSIBILITY TO LET YOU KNOW? BECAUSE YOU HAVE A  
7 RESPONSIBILITY TO INTERVENE AS YOU'RE CONTRACTING WITH THESE  
8 INDIVIDUALS?

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE INDIVIDUALS WEREN'T PAID WHILE THEY WERE  
11 STILL WORKING FOR THIS PRIOR COMPANY. THE COMPANY, DESPITE THE  
12 FACT THE INDIVIDUALS WORKED FOR A COUPLE WEEKS JUST STOPPED  
13 PAYING THEM WHEN THEY FILED FOR BANKRUPTCY. SUBSEQUENT TO THAT  
14 --

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT MY  
17 ISSUE IS THESE ARE EMPLOYEES THAT WERE WORKING WITH US. AND SO  
18 THE ISSUE IS WHAT KIND OF RESPONSIBILITY DO WE HAVE AS  
19 OVERSIGHT? WHAT KIND OF RESPONSIBILITY DO WE HAVE IN LETTING  
20 EMPLOYEES KNOW WHEN THIS OCCURS? IT'S NOT THE FIRST TIME.  
21 WE'VE HAD JANITORIAL CONTRACTS THAT WE'VE HAD THIS KIND OF  
22 ISSUE THAT EMPLOYEES AT LEAST HAVE SOME IDEA, THEY CAN CALL  
23 SOMEBODY FOR INTERVENTION AT THAT POINT IN TIME. RIGHT?

24



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1    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, WELL WE PAID AND WE FULFILLED OUR  
2    FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS WITH THIS COMPANY. AND TO THAT EXTENT,  
3    WE CAN INSIST THAT THEY PAY THEIR EMPLOYEES. THEY HAVE REFUSED  
4    TO DO SO. AND NOW THAT'S BEING HANDLED THROUGH THE BANKRUPTCY  
5    PROCESS. WHEN WE MADE A DECISION TO TERMINATE THIS CONTRACT,  
6    WE TOOK EVERY NECESSARY STEP TO ENSURE THAT EMPLOYEES WERE  
7    PICKED UP BY THE SUCCESSOR CONTRACTOR.

8

9    **SUP. MOLINA:** DO WE OWE MONEY TO THIS COMPANY?

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11    **MARGO MORALES:** YES.

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13    **SUP. MOLINA:** WE DO?

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15    **MARGO MORALES:** YES.

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17    **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW MUCH MONEY DO WE OWE?

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19    **MARGO MORALES:** ABOUT \$800,000.

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21    **SUP. MOLINA:** AND IF WE OWE \$800,000, DO WE HAVE THE CAPABILITY  
22    OF WITHHOLDING THE SALARY? OR IS THAT UP TO THE BANKRUPTCY  
23    JUDGE? I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHAT STEPS WE'RE TAKING.

24



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1   **LEELA KAPUR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THAT WOULD BE UP TO THE  
2   BANKRUPTCY JUDGE TO DISPERSE THAT MONEY THAT IS OWED TO THE  
3   CONTRACTOR. ALL OF THE CONTRACTORS' ASSETS ARE NOW PART OF THE  
4   BANKRUPTCY.

5

6   **SUP. MOLINA:** OUR \$800,000 IS TIED UP IN THAT BANKRUPTCY ISSUE?  
7   SO DO WE HAVE ANY ROLE IN ADVOCATING BEFORE THE BANKRUPTCY  
8   JUDGE THAT THESE EMPLOYEES BE PAID?

9

10   **LEELA KAPUR:** MY UNDERSTANDING, SUPERVISOR, IS THAT WE HAVE  
11   ALREADY MADE OUR WISHES KNOWN TO THE BANKRUPTCY COURT THAT WE  
12   WOULD LIKE TO SEE THESE INDIVIDUALS PAID.

13

14   **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW DID WE DO THAT?

15

16   **LEELA KAPUR:** I BELIEVE THAT WE MADE AN APPEARANCE IN THE  
17   COURT, EITHER IN WRITING OR AT AN ACTUAL HEARING, ORALLY.

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19   **SUP. MOLINA:** WHEN'S THE HEARING?

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21   **LEELA KAPUR:** THIS WAS PREVIOUSLY. WE RETAINED BANKRUPTCY  
22   COUNSEL AROUND MAY 1ST, WHEN THIS WAS ALL BECOMING AN ISSUE  
23   THAT WE BECAME AWARE OF. AND OUR BANKRUPTCY COUNSEL MADE AN  
24   APPEARANCE AT A HEARING, I JUST DON'T KNOW THE SPECIFIC  
25   DETAILS, BUT HE APPEARED IN COURT ON OUR BEHALF TO REFLECT TO



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1 THE BANKRUPTCY COURT THAT WE WERE INVOLVED, THAT WE HAD  
2 CONTRACT AND OUTSTANDING DEBT TO THIS CONTRACTOR AND THAT WE  
3 WANTED THEM TO KNOW THAT THE EMPLOYEES HAD UNPAID WAGES.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** SHOULD THE JUDGE CONCLUDE THAT OTHER CREDITORS  
6 STAND IN LINE BEFORE THESE EMPLOYEES, SHOULD HE CONCLUDE THAT,  
7 WHAT KIND OF INTERVENTION COULD WE CARRY OUT ON BEHALF OF THE  
8 EMPLOYEES FOR THOSE WEEKS OF PAY?

9

10 **LEELA KAPUR:** SUPERVISOR, I WOULD NEED TO GET BACK TO YOU.  
11 BANKRUPTCY IS VERY COMPLICATED, BUT WE CAN GIVE YOU A REPORT  
12 AS TO WHAT THE OPTIONS ARE. I DON'T KNOW WHAT OTHER CREDITORS  
13 ARE OUT THERE, AND I DON'T KNOW WHERE WE FIT IN THE LINE.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** ARE YOU SAYING WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE  
16 800,000 THAT WE OWE THEM.

17

18 **LEELA KAPUR:** THE BEST THAT WE CAN DO IS MAKE THAT CASE TO THE  
19 COURT AND THEN IT WOULD HAVE TO WEIGH THE OTHER CREDITORS AND  
20 DETERMINE WHO'S FIRST IN THE LINE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BECAUSE IT'S NOT JUST BECAUSE IT'S FROM  
23 L.A. COUNTY, BUT THE 800,000 BECOMES AN ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE.  
24 AND THE ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE PART OF THE ASSETS, AND THE ASSETS  
25 BECOME PART OF THE BANKRUPTCY.



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1

2 **LEELA KAPUR:** CORRECT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** SO IT'S JUST A STANDING POSITION THAT--

5

6 **LEELA KAPUR:** AND I WOULD THINK THAT WAGES SHOULD BE FAIRLY  
7 HIGH UP ON THAT LIST, BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY'RE COMPETING  
8 WITH.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** I RECOGNIZE THAT AND APPRECIATE THAT AND I  
11 UNDERSTAND HOW THIS BANKRUPTCY THING WORKS. BUT I'M WONDERING  
12 WHAT OUR INVOLVEMENT IS. BECAUSE IF WE'RE JUST LETTING IT  
13 HAPPEN WITH THE IDEA THAT SOMEBODY WILL REPRESENT THOSE  
14 INTERESTS, I'M JUST SAYING WE SHOULD HAVE SOME INTEREST IN  
15 MAKING SURE THESE EMPLOYEES -- WHAT I DO KNOW ABOUT THESE  
16 EMPLOYEES, PARTICULARLY THE SHERIFF'S ONE IS THAT THEY WERE  
17 SHOWING UP ANYWAY, EVEN AFTER THEY KNEW THAT THERE WAS NO  
18 CONTRACT, THAT THESE GUYS HAD ABSCONDED WITH THE FUNDS. SO THE  
19 ISSUE IS THEY WERE VERY LOYAL EMPLOYEES TO AT LEAST OUR COURT  
20 SYSTEM, AS I UNDERSTAND. SO CONSEQUENTLY, I THINK WE HAVE A  
21 DUTY, AT LEAST TO THE ONES WE'VE RETAINED, TO MAKE SURE THAT  
22 THEY ARE PAID DURING THAT PERIOD OF TIME, PARTICULARLY WHEN WE  
23 OWED THEM MONEY, OR, QUOTE, "OWE THEM MONEY," IT DOES BELONG  
24 TO THE BANKRUPTCY JUDGE. IF WITH YOU WOULD GET BACK TO ME, I'D  
25 APPRECIATE KNOWING..



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2 **LEELA KAPUR:** AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA, AS I SAID, WE DID RETAIN  
3 BANKRUPTCY COUNSEL, AND WE CAN ASSURE, IF IT'S YOUR BOARD'S  
4 DIRECTION, THAT HE CONTINUE TO REPRESENT YOUR BOARD'S POSITION  
5 THAT THE EMPLOYEES BE PAID TO THE FULL EXTENT POSSIBLE.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO IN THE INTERIM WE'RE GOING TO FIND  
8 OUT ABOUT THE SHERIFF'S LANGUAGE BUT I ALSO WANT TO MAKE SURE  
9 THAT IN THE MOTION, HOPEFULLY IT'S CORRECT, THAT WE ARE ASKING  
10 THAT THE ORDINANCE BE AMENDED. BECAUSE IT WOULD HAVE TO BE  
11 CONTAINED. MY ASSUMPTION IS THAT IT WAS IN THERE.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND I ACCEPT THAT AS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.  
14 IT SEEMS TO ME THAT OUR APPROACH SHOULD BE COMPREHENSIVE AND  
15 UNIFORM. AND THE POLICY RATIONALE --

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EVEN WITH AS-NEEDED EMPLOYEES?

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHY NOT?

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND THE POLICY RATIONALE FOR EXEMPTION IS  
22 SIMPLY NOT CLEAR NOR IS IT COMPELLING TO ME.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** TO ME, LIVING WAGE IS A CONCEPT OF FAIRNESS TO  
25 ALL EMPLOYEES. AND SO IF YOU'RE GOING TO CONTRACT OUT, YOU





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1 SHOULD NOT CONTRACT OUT WITHOUT THOSE PROTECTIONS. I MEAN THIS  
2 COUNTY DECIDED LIVING WAGE A LONG TIME AGO. SO WHETHER YOU'RE  
3 AN AS-NEEDED EMPLOYEE THAT COMES IN TWICE A MONTH, YOU SHOULD  
4 BE ENTITLED TO THE SAME PROTECTIONS UNDER MINIMUM WAGE. AM I  
5 INCORRECT ON THAT?

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND THE WAGE THE PROVISION, WOULD  
8 THAT ALSO INCLUDE THE ASPECT OF THAT PARTICULAR ORDINANCE?

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, AN AS-NEEDED CONTRACT WOULD I'M SURE HAVE  
11 SOME PROVISIONS IN THERE. I MEAN IF THE GUY LEAVES AND YOU  
12 HAVE A NEW CONTRACTOR TAKING OVER AS NEEDED, YOU WANT  
13 RETENTION PROTECTIONS, YES. DOES THAT MEAN THAT YOU NOW MAKE  
14 THEM FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES? I DON'T THINK THAT'S THE REQUEST.  
15 RETENTION IS WHAT YOU HAD BEFORE. BUT THERE SHOULD BE SOME  
16 BASIC PROTECTIONS. THAT'S WHAT OUR LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE IS  
17 ABOUT.

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK IT WOULD BE REASONABLE IF WE CAN  
20 REPORT BACK ON THIS ISSUE AND LOOK AT WHAT IT IMPACTS. BECAUSE  
21 WE'VE -- I'M SURE WE HAVE A FAIRLY SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF AS-  
22 NEEDED CONTRACTS OUT THERE. SO IF WE COULD REPORT BACK ON  
23 THIS.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK THE IMPORTANT REPORT BACK  
2    INCLUDING THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND WHAT THE COSTS MAY BE ON  
3    THE AS NEEDED VERSUS THE OTHER PIECE OF IT.

4

5    **SUP. MOLINA:** DO OUR AS-NEEDED CONTRACTS ALSO GO THROUGH PROP A  
6    ANALYSIS?

7

8    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO.

9

10   **MARGO MORALES:** NO. AS-NEEDED CONTRACTS ARE EXEMPT.

11

12   **SUP. MOLINA:** THEY ARE EXEMPT FOR ONLY A PERIOD OF TIME.  
13   THEY'RE NOT FOREVER.

14

15   **LEELA KAPUR:** THEY'RE EXEMPT FOR THE LIFE OF THE TERM OF THE  
16   CONTRACT. WHEN A CONTRACT IS ENTERED INTO, IF IT IS DETERMINED  
17   --

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19   **SUP. MOLINA:** EVERGREEN, AREN'T THEY?

20

21   **LEELA KAPUR:** I'M NOT -- I COULDN'T SAY THERE ARE NO EVERGREEN  
22   OUT THERE. BUT MY IDEA IS THAT THESE CONTRACTS ARE NOT BE  
23   EVERGREEN. THEY MAY BE FIVE YEARS, SO THEY'D BE A LENGTHY  
24   PERIOD OF TIME.

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN WE ASK ALSO WHEN YOU REPORT BACK THAT  
2   YOU DO AN ANALYSIS OF WHAT THE AS-NEEDED EMPLOYEES, THE AS-  
3   NEEDED CONTRACTS ARE PAYING THEIR EMPLOYEES AS IT RELATES TO  
4   THE LIVING WAGE? I'D LIKE TO KNOW OF THAT COMPARISON. I DON'T  
5   KNOW WHAT THE ANSWER IS.

6

7   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'LL PROBABLY DO IT. THIS IS THE O.P.S. STAFF  
8   HERE. BUT WE'LL BE HAPPY DO THAT. WE'LL GO THROUGH ALL THE  
9   CONTRACTS AND LOOK AT THE PAY SCALE FOR THOSE CONTRACTS, WHAT  
10   THE CONTRACTS PROVIDE, THE TYPE OF SERVICE THEY PROVIDE. AND  
11   ALSO WE'LL ADDRESS THE RETENTION ISSUE.

12

13   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE RETENTION -- IT NOW IS  
14   ALL COMING BACK TO ME. THE REASON THAT THE PROP A CONTRACTS,  
15   THE REASON THE AS-NEEDED CONTRACTS ARE EXEMPTED FROM ALL THIS  
16   IS BECAUSE THE RETENTION OF AS-NEEDED EMPLOYEES IS A LITTLE  
17   MORE COMPLICATED.

18

19   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES.

20

21   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW DO YOU RETAIN SOMEBODY WHO IS  
22   INTERMITTENT OR ONE TIME? IT DEPENDS. AND I THINK THIS IS  
23   GOING TO REQUIRE SOME THINKING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T HAVE  
24   UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES.

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1    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S WHY I WANTED THE REPORT BACK.

2

3    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, FINE.

4

5    **SUP. MOLINA:** I'LL ASK A QUESTION. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A  
6    DEFINITION OF WHAT IS "AS-NEEDED" BECAUSE I THINK THERE MIGHT  
7    BE A WAY OF SKIRTING SOME OF THE PROP A RESPONSIBILITIES THAT  
8    WE HAVE.

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10   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK PART OF IT, THE BASIC IS THE  
11   DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A FULL-TIME ASSIGNMENT VERSUS AN ASSIGNMENT  
12   THAT'S SPORADIC OR INTERMITTENT BASIS. SO FOR SOME OF THE AS-  
13   NEEDED POSITIONS, YOU COULD HAVE SOMEONE WORKING FOR A COMPANY  
14   AND SENT TO HALF A DOZEN LOCATIONS AND WITH HALF A DOZEN  
15   DIFFERENT EMPLOYERS. BUT THEY'RE SENT ON A VERY SPORADIC BASIS  
16   WHEN THERE'S AN ABSENCE, JUST A NEED TO FILL A PARTICULAR  
17   SPOT.

18

19   **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, THAT MAY BE WHAT WE INTERPRET. I'D LIKE TO  
20   KNOW HOW THE DEPARTMENT INTERPRETS IT. IT GOES BACK TO THE  
21   WHOLE ISSUE OF STUDENT EMPLOYEES.

22

23   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND.

24



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1    **SUP. MOLINA:** WE HAD A POLICY AND DEPARTMENTS INTERPRETED IT  
2    DIFFERENTLY FOR EVERY SINGLE EMPLOYEE.

3

4    **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE SAYING.

5

6    **SUP. MOLINA:** SO I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT HOW ARE THESE  
7    THINGS UTILIZED AND WHETHER IT'S JUST A WAY TO GET AROUND PROP  
8    A.

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10   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** GOOD POINT. WE'LL LOOK AT THAT.

11

12   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHILE WE'RE HAVING THE DISCUSSION, IF I  
13   COULD JUST THROW IN ANOTHER SPOT. RETENTION IS ONE THING ON  
14   THE AS NEEDED. BUT WHAT WE PAY THE AS NEEDED IS ANOTHER THING.  
15   I'M NOT SURE WHY WE EXEMPTED, I GUESS WE EXEMPTED THEM FROM  
16   THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE BECAUSE THEY WERE EXEMPTED FROM PROP  
17   A. BUT I'M NOT SURE THAT THERE WAS A LOGIC TO DOING THAT. ONE  
18   OF THE THINGS I'D LIKE, THAT'S WHY I WANT TO KNOW THE WAGE  
19   ISSUE. IF THEY'RE BEING PAID 25 PERCENT LESS THAN THE MINIMUM  
20   THAN THE LIVING WAGE, 15 PERCENT LESS, WHATEVER, I THINK WE  
21   OUGHT TO RE-VISIT THAT, EVEN IF WE AREN'T ABLE TO DO THE  
22   RETENTION PIECE TO THE EXTENT THAT WE DO IT FOR PROP A  
23   CONTRACTS, WE CAN TAKE A LOOK AT THE LIVING WAGE PIECE OF IT.  
24   THERE ARE TWO HOLES THAT HAVE BEEN KIND OF EXPOSED HERE ON THE  
25   AS-NEEDED.



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2 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'LL LOOK AT ALL ASPECTS. BUT THERE ARE --

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** INCLUDING THE CURRENT COSTS.

5

6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I KNOW. BUT AS WE LOOK INTO THIS AREA, AND

7 IT'LL COME IN OUR ANALYSIS. BUT THERE ARE SOME VERY

8 SIGNIFICANT POLICY ISSUES THAT WE JUST NEED TO PROCEED

9 CAREFULLY WITH.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO IS 70 AND 71 BEFORE US?

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CORRECT.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AS AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S

18 MOTION.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AMENDED?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE MOVING FORWARD WITH THE ACTION OF

23 THE TWO ITEMS.

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CORRECT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THEN WE'RE ALSO COMING BACK WITH THE  
3 REPORT.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PURSUANT TO THE REVIEW OF THE ORDINANCE  
6 POTENTIAL AND THE LIKE, YES. SO MOVED.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
9 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** FINALLY, MR. CHAIR, THE READ-IN MOTION,  
12 BECAUSE OF THE COUNTY FACING OBVIOUS FISCAL CHALLENGES DUE TO  
13 THE DECREASING TAX REVENUES TIED TO THE RECESSION AND MORE  
14 SPECIFIC THAN THAT, THE REAL ESTATE INDUSTRY. THE COUNTY HAS  
15 TAKEN NUMEROUS STEPS TO PROTECT CORE SERVICES, AS ALL OF US  
16 KNOW AND MAINTAIN A BALANCED BUDGET SUCH AS THE CREATION OF  
17 THE RAINY DAY FUND, MATCHING ONE-TIME REVENUES TO ONE-TIME  
18 EXPENDITURES, IMPLEMENTING A HIRING FREEZE AND TAKING  
19 CURTAILMENTS TO ALL DEPARTMENTS DEEMED APPROPRIATE, THE COUNTY  
20 NOW FACES MAJOR REDUCTIONS IMPOSED BY THE STATE IN ITS EFFORTS  
21 TO BALANCE ITS OWN BUDGET. AS A CONSEQUENCE, THE COUNTY MUST  
22 TAKE EXTRAORDINARY MEASURES TO REDUCE OPERATING COSTS DUE TO  
23 THOSE IMPENDING ACTIONS FROM THE STATE. THE COUNTY MUST ALSO  
24 REACH OUT TO ITS PRIVATE SECTOR PARTNERS TO ASSIST IN THIS SET  
25 OF CIRCUMSTANCES THESE DIFFICULT TIMES. I BELIEVE THE COUNTY





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1 SHOULD SEEK A REDUCTION IN CONTRACTING COSTS IN EXCHANGE FOR A  
2 ONE-YEAR EXTENSION ON THE CONTRACT TERM FOR ONGOING SERVICES  
3 AND RECURRING MATERIALS AND COSTS. THIS IS A PROPOSED  
4 STRATEGY. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, I THINK, SHOULD WORK  
5 WITH THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, THE COUNTY COUNSEL, THE  
6 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS AS NEEDED TO DEVELOP  
7 THESE CONTRACTS' SAVINGS AND LAUNCH AN APPROPRIATE INITIATIVE.  
8 MR. CHAIRMAN, I THEREFORE MOVE THAT WE DIRECT THE C.E.O.  
9 WORKING WITH THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, COUNTY COUNSEL  
10 AND AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND OTHER SPECIFIED DEPARTMENTS TO  
11 DEVELOP THE PARAMETERS FOR A COST SAVINGS INITIATIVE WHICH CAN  
12 BE IMPLEMENTED WITHIN THE NEXT 60 DAYS. WE SHOULD ALSO DIRECT  
13 THE C.E.O. TO PROVIDE ALL DEPARTMENTS WITH A MODEL LETTER TO  
14 SEND TO DEPARTMENTAL CONTRACTORS BY EARLY JULY REQUESTING THAT  
15 CONTRACTORS REDUCE THEIR RATES BY 10 PERCENT OR SO FOR THE  
16 FISCAL YEAR AND REPORT BACK IN AUGUST REGARDING THE PROGRESS  
17 ON THIS INITIATIVE. I FURTHER MOVE THAT WE AUTHORIZE ANY  
18 CONTRACT EXTENSIONS DONE UNDER THIS INITIATIVE TO BE DONE  
19 POTENTIALLY SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS TO SWEETEN THE EFFORT AND  
20 DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO INCLUDE ANY RESULTING REDUCTIONS IN  
21 SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES FOR 2009-2010. AND WE'LL TAKE THAT  
22 OPPORTUNITY NEXT WEEK. WE WANTED TO GET IT ON THE RECORD  
23 BECAUSE I THINK IT'S TIME TO ENGAGE IN A CREATIVE APPROACH TO  
24 HELPING US BALANCE OUR BUDGET. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THAT  
25 CONCLUDES MY ITEMS FOR TODAY.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO WE'RE GOING TO ASK FOR A 10  
3 PERCENT REDUCTION BUT ASK THEM TO INCREASE THE WAGES.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PRECISELY, SIR. JUST THOUGHT YOU'D GET  
6 THAT IN. AND DID I HEAR YOU SECOND THE MOTION?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR  
9 YAROSLAVSKY.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WANT TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN  
12 IN THE MEMORY OF DAN EISENSTEIN. SOME OF THE MEMBERS MAY  
13 REMEMBER DAN EISENSTEIN. HE WAS THE INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED  
14 CIVIL ENGINEER, TUNNELING EXPERT WHO WAS CONTRACTED WITH BY  
15 THE M.T.A. TO HELP US ADDRESS SOME OF THE TUNNELING ISSUES  
16 THAT WE WERE HAVING IN THE HOLLYWOOD HILLS AND THEN LATER I  
17 BELIEVE ALSO IN THE EAST SIDE LIGHT RAIL PROJECT AND  
18 ELSEWHERE. DAN PASSED AWAY AFTER A BOUT WITH CANCER LAST WEEK.  
19 HE WAS A KEY ADVISER OF THE M.T.A.'S TUNNEL ADVISORY PANEL  
20 DURING PHASE 1 OF THE METRO RED LINE SUBWAY PROJECT AND HE  
21 ASSISTED US IN DESIGNING ITS TUNNELING PLAN UNDERNEATH THE  
22 HOLLYWOOD HILLS. AS I SAY HE WAS A LEADING ADVOCATE FOR USING  
23 ADVANCED TUNNELING MACHINES SUCH AS EARTH PRESSURE BORING  
24 MACHINES AND SLURRY SHIELD TECHNIQUES WHICH WERE USED IN THE  
25 EAST SIDE GOLD LINE. MOST RECENTLY, HE ASSISTED METRO IN



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1 SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE EAST SIDE LIGHT RAIL TUNNEL FOR  
2 THE GOLD LINE EXTENSION. HE WAS ALSO AN ADVISER TO MANY TUNNEL  
3 PROJECTS ALL OVER THE WORLD, INCLUDING THE CHUNNEL UNDERNEATH  
4 THE ENGLISH CHANNEL LINKING THE UNITED KINGDOM TO CONTINENTAL  
5 EUROPE UNDERNEATH THE CHANNEL. HE IS SURVIVED BY FAMILY  
6 MEMBERS, COLLEAGUES AND MANY FRIENDS. I'LL JUST SAY THAT I GOT  
7 TO KNOW HIM REAL WELL DURING THE HOLLYWOOD HILLS EPISODE. I  
8 LEARNED A LOT ABOUT GEOLOGY FROM HIM. A LOT ABOUT OUR TOWN  
9 BECAUSE HE KNEW IT FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE, LITERALLY AND  
10 FIGURATIVELY. AND HE WAS A GREAT TEACHER. AND HE WAS WORTH HIS  
11 WEIGHT IN GOLD. WE PAID HIM A LOT OF MONEY, BUT HE DELIVERED A  
12 PROJECT THAT WAS UNEVENTFUL AND THAT'S WHAT WE WANTED. IT'S A  
13 GREAT LOSS.

14  
15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS.

16  
17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS ON DAN EISENSTEIN. AUDREY ANN  
18 BOYLE, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT, WHO PASSED AWAY  
19 RECENTLY. RAISED AND SCHOOLED IN THE PACIFIC PALISADES AREA,  
20 SHE WAS A LONGTIME REALTOR FOR COLDWELL BANKER AND SERVED AS  
21 CO-CHAIR OF THE MIRAMAR HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION. A MEMBER OF  
22 THE GETTY VILLA RELATIONS COMMITTEE AND THE SANTA MONICA  
23 MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE IN  
24 DISTRICT 2 OF THAT CONSERVANCY JURISDICTION. SHE IS SURVIVED  
25 BY FAMILY MEMBERS, COLLEAGUES AND MANY FRIENDS IN THE



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1 COMMUNITY. FRANKLIN H. LITTELL, ONE OF THE LEADING  
2 INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARS IN THE FIELD OF HOLOCAUST STUDIES AND  
3 THE AUTHOR OF MORE THAN TWO DOZENS BOOKS AND 1,000 ARTICLES ON  
4 THE SUBJECT WHO PASSED AWAY AT 91 IN HIS HOME IN MARION  
5 STATION, PENNSYLVANIA. MR. LITELL WAS AN ORDAINED METHODIST  
6 MINISTER. HE WAS ONE OF THE FIRST TO EXAMINE THE QUESTION OF  
7 CHRISTIAN COMPLICITY IN NAZI GENOCIDE AND PLACE IT IN THE  
8 HISTORICAL CONTEXT OF LONGSTANDING ANTI-SEMITISM EXTENDING  
9 BACK 2,000 YEARS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, MARCIA SACHS  
10 LITTELL; THREE DAUGHTERS FROM A PREVIOUS MARRIAGE, JEANNIE  
11 LAWRENCE, KAREN LITTELL AND MIRIAM LITTELL; A SON FROM THAT  
12 MARRIAGE, STEVEN; HIS STEPSONS AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. AS I  
13 SAY, HE WAS ONE OF THE MOST PROLIFIC WRITERS ON THE SUBJECT OF  
14 HOLOCAUST STUDIES. I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY, THAT'S  
15 IT.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE DON'T HAVE ANY HOLDS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. BEFORE I DO MY ADJOURNMENTS.

22 ITEM 56, I AM RELEASING MY HOLD ON THAT. I DON'T BELIEVE

23 ANYONE HAD HELD IT. I WOULD MOVE ITEM 56. SECONDED BY

24 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. I HAVE

25 SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY



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1 OF SERGEANT BLUE ROWE, A WHITTIER RESIDENT WHO WAS KILLED IN  
2 AFGHANISTAN BY AN I.E.D. ON MAY 26TH. HE WAS 33 YEARS OLD. HE  
3 JOINED THE ARMY IN 1994 AND SERVED FROM 2002-2009 IN THE ARMY  
4 RESERVES 426TH CIVIL AFFAIRS BATTALION BASED IN UPLAND. HE  
5 WORKED AS A MILITARY POLICEMAN IN KOREA, GERMANY AND THE  
6 BALKANS BEFORE BEING DEPLOYED TO OPERATION IRAQ FREEDOM 2004  
7 THROUGH JULY 2005. HE WAS MOBILIZED AGAIN LAST JULY FOR DUTY  
8 IN AFGHANISTAN. ROWE WAS A LOVING FATHER TO HIS 7-YEAR-OLD  
9 SON, ANDREW, AND WAS KNOWN AS A DOTING, ADVENTUROUS UNCLE TO 7  
10 NIECES AND NEPHEWS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CINDY; HIS  
11 SON, ANDREW; MANY FAMILY MEMBERS, NIECES AND NEPHEWS AND WILL  
12 BE SADLY MISSED BY ALL. HE TOUCHED THE LIVES OF EVERYONE AND  
13 DID SO IN A WAY OF HONOR AND HEROICALLY PROTECTED US ALL. ALSO  
14 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF -- DR. VAUGHN NIXON. HE WAS A  
15 FIXTURE IN THE LOCAL LONG BEACH COMMUNITY AS A FAMILY DOCTOR.  
16 HE WAS KNOWN AS DOC. HE HAD A QUICK WIT AND A KIND HEART.  
17 LONGTIME MEMBER OF VIRGINIA COUNTRY CLUB AND LOVED GOLF, HE'LL  
18 BE MISSED BY ALL. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JAREEN, AND FAMILY.  
19 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FRANCES BARCLAY, A LONGTIME  
20 RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD. VERY ACTIVE SUPPORTER OF THE  
21 PATHWAYS VOLUNTEER HOSPICE. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY HER FAMILY  
22 AND FRIENDS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, PHILLIP; FOUR  
23 CHILDREN, ALLEN, CHRISTINE, GAIL, AMY; SIX GRANDCHILDREN;  
24 SEVEN GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
25 ANDRE LEON OF WHITTIER, WHO PASSED AWAY AFTER A TRAGIC, TRAGIC



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1 CAR ACCIDENT. HE WAS ONLY 15 YEARS OLD. GREAT YOUNG MAN.  
2 ENJOYED MAKING OTHER PEOPLE LAUGH AND ALSO ENJOYED SPORTS. HE  
3 PLAYED FOOTBALL AND BASEBALL FOR LA SERNA AND WAS A POPULAR  
4 HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORE. WAS BELOVED BY TEACHERS, STUDENTS  
5 ALIKE. HE MADE A VERY POSITIVE IMPACT IN THE SHORT TIME HE WAS  
6 HERE ON EARTH. HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY ALL. SURVIVED BY  
7 HIS FATHER, RAMON; HIS MOTHER, KIMBERLY; SISTER, RAQUEL; AND  
8 BROTHER, RAMON; AND MANY OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS.  
9 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS. SO ORDERED. I GOT RID OF ITEM 56,  
10 RIGHT? I WITHDREW MY HOLD. JUST TRYING TO SEE WHAT WE HAVE  
11 HERE. ALL RIGHT. MR. SACHS, YOU HELD 45, 5-D, 6-H, 1-P, 24,  
12 33, 75. HIKE. NOW, IF YOU'D COME FORWARD, PLEASE? WELCOME. 45.  
13 5-D, 6-H, 1-P, 24, 33, AND 75. YOU'RE ON.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO START WITH THE MEETING  
16 AGENDAS? OR WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO GO WITH THE--

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU START WITH WHATEVER YOU'D LIKE.  
19 MEETING AGENDA'S, FINE. YOU HELD THE MEETINGS OF EVERY MEETING  
20 WE'VE HELD.

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OKAY. SO THEN WE'LL START WITH THE MEETING FOR  
23 THE SANITATION DISTRICT. I HELD NO. 4, WHICH IS THE OPERATING  
24 BUDGET. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAPPEN TO NOTICE IN THE L.A. TIMES  
25 WEDNESDAY BUSINESS SECTION FROM THE 27TH OF MAY, THEY DID A





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1 STORY REGARDING SOMETHING CALLED FLUFF, WHICH IS THE LEFTOVER  
2 BITS OF GLASS, FIBER, RUBBER, ENGINE FLUID, DIRT AND PLASTIC  
3 WHICH ARE SHIPPED TO THE LANDFILL. AND THEY'RE USED AS A  
4 COVER. ACCORDING TO THIS, TREATED FLUFF IS AN ECONOMICAL  
5 ALTERNATIVE TO USING SOMETIMES SCARCE DIRT TO COVER LANDFILLS,  
6 RECYCLERS ARGUE. WHICH BRINGS ME BACK TO THE SUNSHINE COUNTY  
7 LANDFILL AND THE FACT THAT TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITIES, 6,600  
8 TONS OF INTAKE IS MISSING, ACCORDING TO THE AGENDA ITEM THAT  
9 YOU HAD BEFORE YOU A COUPLE YEARS AGO. AND IT WAS NEVER REALLY  
10 SATISFACTORILY EXPLAINED EXCEPT SOMEBODY DID SAY THAT THAT  
11 DIFFERENCE WAS DIRT THEY USED AS LANDFILL COVER. SO I'M JUST  
12 QUESTIONING THAT THIS SO-CALLED FLUFF, WHICH IS ACCORDING TO  
13 THE DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCE CONTROL A SUBSTANCE THAT  
14 NEEDS TO BE LOOKED INTO AS IT MAY CONTAMINATE THE WATER TABLE,  
15 THANK YOU, SIR. AND SINCE 6,600 TONS OF IT IS MISSING EVERY  
16 WEEK FROM THE SUNSET COUNTY LANDFILL OR THERE'S A DIFFERENCE  
17 IN THE VALUES BETWEEN THE INTAKE. I'M JUST CURIOUS TO KNOW,  
18 AND THIS IS --

19  
20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S UNRELATED TO ITEM 4 THAT YOU HELD.

21  
22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** IT'S A BUDGET ITEM. IT'S A \$500 MILLION  
23 INDUSTRY. PEOPLE ARE CONCERNED THAT IF IT'S LABELED, OR THE  
24 RECYCLERS ARE CONCERNED THAT IF IT'S LABELED, IT WILL COST  
25 MORE TO DUMP, AND THAT MIGHT AFFECT THE COST OF THE LANDFILLS.





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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT. THAT'S EXACTLY RIGHT. AND THAT  
3 POLICY ISSUE HASN'T BEEN DECIDED YET. IT'S NOT HERE. BUT IT  
4 WILL BE IN FRONT OF THE SANITATION DISTRICT BOARDS.

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** MY OTHER QUESTION AGAIN IS IF IT'S CONSIDERED A  
7 TOXIC SUBSTANCE AND IT'S BEING USED IN PLACE OF DIRT, COMES  
8 BACK TO THAT 6,600 TONS OF MISSING INTAKE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'VE GOT A LOT OF OTHER ITEMS YOU  
11 HELD. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET 3 MINUTES ON EVERYTHING. I'M  
12 GOING TO BE KIND TO YOU JUST FOR ABOUT ONE MORE TIME.

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU CALLED THEM.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I CALLED THEM.

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, I HELD THE  
19 MINUTES ON THAT. RECENTLY THERE WAS AN ARTICLE REGARDING A  
20 DEVELOPMENT IN RANCHO PALOS VERDES CALLED TERRA NOVA, WHERE  
21 THE CITY HAS BAILED THEM OUT BY OFFERING THEM NOT TO CUT THE  
22 BED TAX. AND I KNOW THE COUNTY AND THE CITY HAVE BAILED OUT  
23 THE GRAND AVENUE PROJECT IN A SIMILAR WAY, THAT THEY'RE NOT  
24 GOING TO BE REQUIRED TO PAY THE PENALTY FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH  
25 STARTING THE STARTUP DATE FOR THE PROJECT. CAN THAT BE RE-



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1 VISITED? WILL THAT BE RE-VISITED BECAUSE OF THE ECONOMIC  
2 CRISIS?

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE NEXT ITEM I HELD WAS FOR THE AGENDA OF THE  
7 HOUSING AUTHORITY. AND I APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S  
8 ACTIONS ON ITEM NO. 79. BUT I'M CONCERNED AGAIN WITH AN ACTION  
9 THE CITY IS TAKING. AND I KNOW THAT THE COUNTY AND THE CITY  
10 ARE SOMETIMES PARTNERS. THE CITY IS TAKING AN ACTION WITH ITS  
11 C.R.A. AGENCY AND IT'S CONFLICTING. AND I'M CONCERNED BECAUSE  
12 THE COUNTY DOES PARTNER UP WITH THE CITY. AND IF THE CITY IS  
13 ENTERING INTO THESE CONFLICTING MOVES REGARDING ITS C.R.A. AND  
14 PUBLIC PROPERTY, I THINK THE COUNTY SHOULD BE WELL AWARE OF IT  
15 AND SHOULD INVESTIGATE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** NEXT ITEM.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU GOT 24, 33, AND 75 TO DO IN THE NEXT  
2    MINUTE 30 SECONDS, BECAUSE YOU HAVE OTHER ITEMS YOU SIGNED UP  
3    FOR THAT I'LL CALL YOU UP LATER. SO 24, 33, AND 75 IN THE NEXT  
4    1:30.

5

6    **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, 24. I READ THROUGH THIS AND IN THE MIDDLE OF  
7    THIS IT SAID "TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT REQUIRES THE  
8    EDUCATION CONSULTANTS TO MAINTAIN VALID TEACHING OF PUPIL  
9    PERSONAL SERVICES CREDENTIALS." WHY WOULD YOU DELETE THAT  
10   PROVISION? DON'T YOU RECOGNIZE THE PROBLEM YOU HAD WITH M.L.K.  
11   AND THE PROVISIONS, KEEPING AND MAINTAINING THE CREDENTIALS?  
12   AND YOU WANT TO DELETE A PROVISION HERE THAT HAS TEACHERS AND  
13   PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES MAINTAINING THEIR CREDENTIALS?  
14   CERTAINLY DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. CERTAINLY DOESN'T MAKE ANY  
15   SENSE.

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17   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. 33 AND 75?

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19   **ARNOLD SACHS:** 33 REGARDS A COST DIFFERENTIAL FOR THIS FUNDING.  
20   YOU HAVE SIX DIFFERENT OPERATORS DOING FOOD SERVICE, DIETARY  
21   CONCESSION CAFETERIA WORK AT SIX DIFFERENT LOCATIONS. THE  
22   FIRST FIVE ARE FOR SIX MONTHS. AND YOU COULD ARGUE ABOUT THE  
23   DIFFERENTIAL ON THE PRICES. BUT THE LAST ITEM IS FOR THREE  
24   MONTHS FOR OVER 25, \$2.5 MILLION. WHY SO MUCH FOR THREE MONTHS  
25   AT COUNTY L.A.C.+U.S.C.? HOW CAN IT BE SO HIGH FOR THOSE THREE



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1 MONTHS AND THE OTHERS ARE ALL SIX MONTHS. YOU COULD ARGUE  
2 ABOUT THE HIGH COST FOR 2 MILLION AT OLIVE VIEW AND 2 MILLION  
3 AT RANCHO LOS AMIGOS AND THEN 75,000 AT HIGH DESERT AND 39,000  
4 FOR U.C.L.A. YOU HAD A DISCUSSION REGARDING THE COST OF  
5 HOSPITALIZATION FOR THE BEDS. HOW CAN YOU NOT HAVE A COST  
6 REGARDING THIS DIFFERENTIAL IN THE FOOD SERVICE COSTS? AND  
7 FINALLY, 75.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 75. TIME'S EXPIRED. BUT HURRY UP, I'LL  
10 GIVE YOU 30 SECONDS.

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 75 REGARDING A.E.S. AND THAT FIASCO WITH THE  
13 ENERGY CRISIS. A.E.S. WASN'T PURSUED BY THE STATE WHEN THE  
14 COSTS WERE -- WHEN THEY WENT AFTER ENERGY PROVIDERS FOR  
15 REBATES THAT WERE GENERATED BECAUSE OF THE LARGE CONTRACTS THE  
16 STATE SIGNED WHEN THE BRILLIANT GOVERNOR GRAY DAVIS MADE THE  
17 CHANGES DURING THE ENERGY CRISIS. WHO OWNS THE UTILITY LINE?  
18 THERE'S SO MUCH WRONG WITH A.E.S. IN THIS SITUATION. WHERE  
19 DOES WILLIAMS TAKE CONTROL OF THE ENERGY? WHERE IS IT  
20 DELIVERED TO WILLIAMS?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH GAVE UP --

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, THAT'S  
2    NOT US. THIS IS A SETTLEMENT.

3

4    **ARNOLD SACHS:** I UNDERSTAND. THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH GAVE UP  
5    \$50,000 TO A.E.S. FOR A MUCH MISALIGNED PROJECT TO DEVELOP THE  
6    PROPERTY.

7

8    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

9

10   **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE REAL PROBLEM HERE IS THE PUBLIC IS GOING TO  
11   GET TO FOOT THE BILL WHEN A.E.S. SHUTS THAT PLANT DOWN.

12

13   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT THIS HAS -- ARNOLD, I'M GOING TO CUT  
14   YOU OFF. IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS. TOTALLY DIFFERENT  
15   SETTLEMENT. TOTALLY DIFFERENT ISSUE. THANK YOU.

16

17   **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU.

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19   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WE HAVE 45, 5-D, 6-H, 1-P, 24, 33,  
20   AND 75 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
21   MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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23   **ARNOLD SACHS:** I'M SORRY?

24

25   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WHEN YOU CALLED 45, IT SHOULD BE 4-S.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 4-S, I'M SORRY.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. CHANGE THAT MOTION FROM 45 TO 4-S.  
7 THANK YOU.

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** EXCUSE ME, MR. CHAIR?

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU'RE UP ON YOUR  
12 SPECIALS.

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14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, 6?

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL CALL YOU BACK LATER. IT HASN'T BEEN  
17 CALLED YET.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF MARY ANN FLOYD OF  
20 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, LEONA VALLEY. MARIANNE WAS QUITE INVOLVED  
21 WITH OUR TOWN COUNCILS. SHE HELPED WITH THEM. SHE WAS A REAL  
22 GOOD RESOURCE, COMMUNITY LEADER. SHE LEAVES HER HUSBAND OF 47  
23 YEARS, RICHARD; AND THREE CHILDREN, EILEEN, JOHN AND RICH. BUT  
24 SHE WAS ONE OF THOSE LIVING SPIRITS BEHIND THE TOWN COUNCIL,  
25 THE REGIONAL TOWN COUNCILS, THE RURAL TOWN COUNCILS TO ENSURE



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1 HOW THEY COULD OPERATE AND BE EFFECTIVE VOICES TO ASSIST US IN  
2 OUR REPRESENTATION OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. PHIL RAWLINS, HE  
3 WAS A LIFETIME RESIDENTS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, 40 YEARS IN  
4 LA PLACERITA CANYON. HE WAS IN THE MOTION PICTURE INDUSTRY. HE  
5 WAS CLINT EASTWOOD'S DOUBLE IN "RAWHIDE" AND HE DIRECTED "HIGH  
6 CHAPARRAL," AND HE WAS A DIRECTOR OF MANY EPISODES OF "F  
7 OTROOP," PRODUCTION MANAGER FOR "STAR TREK" AND THE  
8 "GREMLINS," AND WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE CREATION OF THE  
9 CALIFORNIA FILM COMMISSION. HE WAS ALSO AN ACCOMPLISHED RODEO  
10 RIDER, COMPETING ON THE SENIOR PRO RODEO CIRCUIT AND RECEIVED  
11 THE NEWHALL WESTERN WALK STARS A FEW YEARS AGO. HE WAS ON THE  
12 BOARDS OF THE PLACERITA CANYON PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION  
13 AND THE PLACERITA TRAILS COUNCIL. RODGER SEYMOUR STERLING, WHO  
14 WAS THE PAST PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA NEWSPAPERS PUBLISHERS  
15 ASSOCIATION AND WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE VALLEY PRESS CLUB IN  
16 THE '90S, AND HAD BEEN EDITOR AND PUBLISHER OF THE VALLEY NEWS  
17 GROUP. A SECOND-GENERATION NEWSPAPER MAN, REAL GOOD MAN, A  
18 GOOD FRIEND. KENNETH STAGER, WHO WAS THE EMERITUS SENIOR  
19 CURATOR OF THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.  
20 HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94. EACH ALSO WAS AN OFFICER  
21 DURING WORLD WAR II. HE SERVED AS THE AMERICAN LIAISON OFFICER  
22 WITH THE CHINESE ARMY IN BURMA. HE WAS A RECIPIENT OF THE  
23 BRONZE STAR. ANNA BRADVICA PANCIC, WHO WAS 42 YEARS AS A LEGAL  
24 SECRETARY FOR THE FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION AND ACTIVE AT  
25 ST. ANTHONY'S CROATIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH. KATHERINE ANN





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1 NICHOLSON, SOCIAL WORKER FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR 35  
2 YEARS. SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 68. DR. HENRY LUCAS, HE  
3 WAS A DENTIST. HE HAD PRACTICED IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA  
4 FOR FIVE DECADES. AND IN 1963 HE HAD FOUNDED THE NONPROFIT  
5 PLAN OF ACTION FOR CHALLENGING TEAMS TO PROVIDE 40,000  
6 AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS FOR PREPARATIONS AND ENROLLMENT IN  
7 COLLEGE. HIS INVOLVEMENT WITH PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN WAS  
8 RONALD REAGAN WAS GOVERNOR. AND HE ALSO SERVED ON THE  
9 REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE AND WITH THOMAS SOWELL, THE  
10 WRITER, ORGANIZED THE BLACK ALTERNATIVES CONFERENCE IN 1980,  
11 SERVED ON THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON HOSTAGE COMPENSATION  
12 AND PRESIDENT REAGAN'S PRIVATE SECRETARY INITIATIVE TASKFORCE,  
13 WHICH I WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF  
14 TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE MEHARRY  
15 MEDICAL COLLEGE IN NASHVILLE, THE CHARLES DREW UNIVERSITY IN  
16 LOS ANGELES AND THE DENTAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA. SURVIVED BY  
17 HIS THREE CHILDREN, HIS MOTHER, TWO SIBLINGS AND FIVE  
18 GRANDCHILDREN. JACK HENNING, WHO WAS FORMER HEAD OF THE  
19 CALIFORNIA LABOR FEDERATION, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93 IN  
20 SAN FRANCISCO WHERE HE LIVED. I KNEW JACK WHEN I WAS A MEMBER  
21 OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE. AND ALTHOUGH OF DIFFERENT POLITICAL  
22 PERSUASIONS, WE WERE FRIENDS. HE WAS A SUPPORTER ON SOME OF  
23 THE ISSUES THAT I WAS INVOLVED WITH. RAYMOND ALFRED DOHN  
24 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 89. HE WAS ACTIVE IN WORLD WAR II  
25 WITH THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS. AND HE WORKED IN THE



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1 AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY, LIVED IN QUARTZ HILL. MICAH DASH PERISHED  
2 IN A VERY TRAGIC AVALANCHE WHICH OCCURRED IN BEIJING, CHINA  
3 THIS WEEK. HE WAS A QUARTZ HILL HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE, HAD A  
4 PASSION FOR ROCK CLIMBING, AND HE WAS SENT TO BEIJING BY  
5 SENDER FILMS, WHO WERE PRODUCING A ROCK CLIMBING MOTION  
6 PICTURE ABOUT THE 21,712-FOOT MOUNT EDGAR. HE WILL BE MISSED  
7 BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. GABRIELLA MARIA CHURCH, SHE WAS AN  
8 INFANT, A DAUGHTER OF NICOLE AND PHILIP. SHE WAS A BABY SISTER  
9 OF ANDREW AND DAKOTA AND JORDAN. SHE PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY ON  
10 MAY 28TH. DENNIS BURNETTE, JR., HE WAS A RETIREE OF THE  
11 BUILDING INDUSTRIES. SERVED IN WORLD WAR II WITH THE UNITED  
12 STATES ARMY AS A MASTER SERGEANT. AND ALSO WAS INVOLVED IN  
13 MANY OF THE ACTIVITIES IN THE DESERT. ROZALEE HUMPHREYS PASSED  
14 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78. SHE WAS ALSO AN ANTELOPE VALLEY NATIVE  
15 AND SHE WAS INVOLVED IN HELPING MANY OF THE COMMUNITY  
16 PROJECTS. AND LARRY DEAN WILFLEY, ALSO OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY.  
17 HE WORKED AS A JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN WITH WILFLEY ELECTRIC IN  
18 1979, WHICH HE OPENED. AND HE LEAVES BEHIND HIS WIFE, MARYLOU;  
19 AND THEIR CHILDREN. SO THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN ON ITEM 17, I WOULD LIKE TO AMEND THAT.  
24 THIS IS BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND MYSELF. LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS  
25 EXPERIENCING AN UNPRECEDENTED FISCAL CRISIS. OUR GOVERNOR HAS



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1 PROPOSED A BUDGET THAT WILL ALLOW THE COUNTY TO FACE AN  
2 ADDITIONAL \$1.5 BILLION SHORTFALL. THE C.E.O. HAS ASKED THE  
3 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO CURTAIL APPROXIMATELY 7 TO 15 PERCENT OF  
4 THEIR BUDGETS. THUS FAR, OUR BUDGET CUTS HAVE TOTALED \$160  
5 MILLION. ADDITIONAL CUTS MAY THREATEN CORE DIRECT SERVICES,  
6 INCLUDING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. BEFORE US TODAY IS  
7 CONSIDERATION OF THE C.E.O.'S RECOMMENDATIONS PURSUANT TO A  
8 CONSULTANT'S REVIEW OF THE COUNTY'S COMMISSION COMMITTEE AND  
9 BOARD AUTHORITY. HOWEVER, THE REVIEW WAS CONDUCTED IN ADVANCE  
10 OF THE CURRENT STATE BUDGET PROPOSALS FOR CUTS TO FUNDING  
11 VITAL SERVICES. AS SUCH, IT WOULD BE IMPERATIVE FOR THE COUNTY  
12 TO ONCE AGAIN REVIEW ALL OPPORTUNITIES TO INCREASE  
13 EFFICIENCIES AND IDENTIFY POTENTIAL COST SAVINGS. AND WE WOULD  
14 MOVE THAT THE BOARD RECEIVE THE CONSULTANTS' REPORT, DIRECT  
15 THAT NO NEW CONSULTANT OR REPORT IS NEEDED, AND DIRECT THE  
16 C.E.O. TO REVIEW THE COUNTY COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES  
17 IDENTIFYING OVERLAP, IF ANY, OF MISSION, VISION AND WORK  
18 PRODUCT. TO IDENTIFY, PRIORITIZE CURTAILMENTS AND COMMISSION  
19 COMMITTEE BUDGETS PRIOR TO CONSIDERATION OF CUTS TO CORE  
20 DIRECT SERVICES, INCLUDING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. AND DIRECT  
21 THE C.E.O. TO REPORT BACK TO THE SEPTEMBER BUDGET PROCESS A  
22 PLAN TO CONSOLIDATE COMMISSIONS WITH OVERLAPPING MISSIONS  
23 WHOSE BUDGETS, IF PRESERVED, WOULD COMPETE WITH FUNDING FOR  
24 ALL CORE AND DIRECT SERVICES.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. PUT THAT ON THE TABLE. SECONDED BY  
2    SUPERVISOR MOLINA. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND DR. CLAVREUL AND  
3    ARNOLD SACHS.

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5    **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, I GUESS, BOARD OF  
6    SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I'M SURE BY NOW YOU KNOW  
7    HOW I FEEL ABOUT SOME OF THOSE COMMISSIONS.

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9    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK WE HAVE A GOOD IDEA.

10

11    **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YEAH, I'M PRETTY SURE. AND I THINK  
12    MANY OF THOSE COULD BE CERTAINLY CURTAILED OR TURNED OFF,  
13    SPECIFICALLY THE EFFICIENCY COMMISSIONER WAS PROBABLY ONE OF  
14    THE LESS EFFICIENT COMMISSION YOU HAVE. I'VE BEEN ATTENDING  
15    SOME OF THOSE MEETINGS. ALSO, MANY OF THE COMMISSION DON'T  
16    MEET REGULARLY. ONE OF THEM IS THE HOSPITAL COMMISSION. I MEAN  
17    WE HAVE HAD TREMENDOUS ISSUE ABOUT HOSPITALS. AND THEIR  
18    COMMISSION MOST OF THE TIME DO NOT MEET BECAUSE OF LACK OF  
19    QUORUM. SO I HAVE A GREAT CONCERN ABOUT THE LACK OF THE  
20    COMMISSION. THE SAME WITH THE H.I.V. COMMISSION, WHICH IS A  
21    ROGUE COMMISSION. PEOPLE ARE APPOINTED NOT BY YOU, BUT BY THE  
22    COMMISSION ITSELF. AND MOST OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ON THAT  
23    COMMISSION SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO BE ON THAT COMMISSION  
24    BECAUSE THEY HAVE CONFLICT OF INTEREST. EITHER THEY ARE H.I.V.  
25    POSITIVE OR THEY'RE GIVING TREATMENT TO PEOPLE WHO ARE H.I.V.



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1 POSITIVE. SO I THINK SO THAT THERE SHOULD BE A SYSTEMATIC  
2 REVIEW OF MANY OF THOSE COMMISSIONS. AND I THINK IN A KIND OF  
3 BUDGET CRISIS, SOME SHOULD BE DELETED. WHEN WE ARE TALKING  
4 ABOUT COMMISSION, IT'S NOT ONLY THE COMMISSION ITSELF, BUT YOU  
5 HAVE THE COST OF THE ROOM, YOU HAVE THE COST OF THE SUPPORTIVE  
6 RESOURCES AND MANY OF YOUR PRETTY GENEROUS STAFF. SO I THINK  
7 YOU SHOULD CUT, CUT, CUT. THANK YOU.

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. MY QUESTION WOULD BE WHY -- WHEN THIS  
10 REPORT WAS PUT TOGETHER, WAS THERE ANY UNDERLYING REASON TO  
11 FIND OUT WHY THESE COMMISSIONS, IN FACT, HADN'T BEEN MEETING  
12 ON A REGULAR BASIS? ALSO, THIS IS DATED NOVEMBER 12TH, THE  
13 COMMISSION'S REPORT. IN THIS REPORT, I TAKE IT, I BELIEVE I  
14 WAS READING THAT IT WILL TAKE SOMEWHERE UP TO A YEAR TO  
15 DECOMMISSION OR TO ELIMINATE SOME OF THESE COMMISSIONS FOR  
16 THEIR INABILITY TO MEET. THEY'RE GOING TO BE AROUND FOR  
17 ANOTHER YEAR. THAT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. IF THEY HAVEN'T BEEN  
18 MEETING, WHY IS THERE A YEAR SUNSET?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEY WERE FORMED A LONG TIME AGO AND IT  
21 HAD TO GO THROUGH FOUR COMMISSIONS -- NO, IT WAS A JOKE.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WELL, ANYWAY, ARE THEY COLLECTING THEIR  
24 COMPENSATION?

25



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1     **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.

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3     **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. WELL, WHICHEVER MEMBERS OF THESE  
4     COMMITTEES WOULD BE MEETING, ARE THEY COLLECTING COMPENSATION  
5     WHILE THEIR COMMITTEES ARE BEING DISBANDED? THAT DOESN'T MAKE  
6     SENSE.

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8     **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO.

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10    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, THEY DON'T. THEY ONLY GET COMPENSATION IF  
11    THERE WAS A MEETING. AND NOT EVERY COMMITTEE HAS COMPENSATION.  
12    JUST A FEW OF THEM.

13

14    **ARNOLD SACHS:** OKAY. I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT THAT'S WHY I'M  
15    LOOKING AT THE TOP PARAGRAPH HERE. AND THEN FINALLY, DOES THE  
16    CITY OF L.A., WHICH IS ANOTHER BIG PLAYER IN L.A., DO THEY  
17    HAVE SIMILAR COMMISSIONS THAT WILL PICK UP ANY OTHER KIND OF  
18    SLACK FOR THE COUNTY? OR IS THERE ANY WAY THAT THE COUNTY CAN  
19    INTERACT WITH THE CITY?

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21    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S USUALLY THE OTHER WAY AROUND. WE PICK UP  
22    THEIR FLAK.

23

24    **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SO ITEM AS AMENDED BY  
2    SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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4    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO WE NOT HAVE A RECOMMENDATION THAT'S ON  
5    THE AGENDA FOR SOME CONSOLIDATIONS ON? I THOUGHT YOU WERE  
6    TALKING ABOUT THIS. SO IS THIS AN AMENDMENT, MIKE, TO THIS? SO  
7    THAT WE WILL APPROVE THE C.E.O.'S REPORT WITH YOUR AMENDMENT,  
8    IS THAT CORRECT? IS THAT YOUR INTENT?

9

10   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THIS REPORT SHOULD BE  
11   APPROVED.

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13   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BECAUSE IT SAYS RECEIVE THE REPORT, BUT I  
14   THOUGHT WE OUGHT TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE REPORT.

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16   **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES.

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18   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** APPROVE THE REPORT. AND THIS RELATES TO  
19   ITEM NO. 76. SO MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY  
20   SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND I HAVE A MOTION.  
23   THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAS ISSUED A REPORT CONTAINING 41  
24   RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPROVE CONTROLS IN PAYROLL AND PERSONNEL  
25   MATTERS WITHIN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. OF SIGNIFICANT





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1 CONCERNS IS THE EXCESSIVE USE OF OVERTIME AND INADEQUATE  
2 CONTROLS OVER PERSONNEL MATTERS, GIVEN THE BOARD'S ONGOING  
3 FOCUS ON THESE TYPES OF ISSUES. THE DEPARTMENT IS EXPECTED TO  
4 RESPOND IN 60 DAYS, WHICH WILL LIKELY CONSIST OF A SERIES OF  
5 ACTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN OR WILL BE TAKEN TO IMPROVE OR TIGHTEN  
6 CONTROLS ON A MOVING FORWARD BASIS. BUT IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT  
7 THE REPORT WILL EXPLAIN THE LACK OF BASIC PROTOCOLS FOR  
8 ADHERENCE TO BASIC PROTOCOLS, SUCH AS PROPER DOCUMENTATION  
9 CONTAINING FULL AND ACCURATE INFORMATION EACH TIME OVERTIME IS  
10 FINALIZED AND UTILIZED. BASIC COMPLIANCE MONITORING OF THE  
11 DEPARTMENT'S EXISTING OVERTIME LIMITS TO AVOID OVERSPENDING  
12 AND LACK OF DESK PROCEDURES FOR PROCESSING AND MONITORING  
13 THESE CASES. FINALLY, THE C.E.O. BEARS SOME RESPONSIBILITY  
14 OVER THE MONITORING AND TRACKING OF THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT  
15 AND SHOULD INCLUDE HOW IT WILL EXERCISE THIS RESPONSIBILITY AS  
16 PART OF THE 60-DAY REPORT BACK ON AN ONGOING FORWARD BASIS. SO  
17 WE WOULD THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD, AS PART OF THE REPORT  
18 BACK IN 60 DAYS, WOULD DIRECT THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER TO  
19 INCLUDE IN HIS REPORT A COMPLETE EXAMINATION AND EXPLANATION  
20 OF THE ABSENCES OF BASIC PROTOCOLS AND/OR THE LACK OF STAFF  
21 ADHERENCE TO BASIC PROTOCOLS AND THE CORRECTIVE MEASURES THAT  
22 ARE BEING TAKEN TO HOLD STAFF ACCOUNTABLE FOR NOW AND IN THE  
23 FUTURE. AND, TWO, WE WOULD DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO INCLUDE HOW IT  
24 WILL EXERCISE HIS AUTHORITY TO HOLD THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT  
25 ACCOUNTABLE ON AN ONWARD GOING FORWARD BASIS. QUESTION, MR.



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1 FUJIOKA, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT RELATIVE TO THE PROBATION  
2 DEPARTMENT EXCEEDING THEIR OVERTIME, I KNOW IN FISCAL YEAR  
3 '05/'06 IT WAS EXCEEDED BY 201 PERCENT AND '08/'09 IT WAS  
4 REDUCED TO 72 PERCENT, AND THAT WAS A GOOD REDUCTION. HOWEVER,  
5 WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHY WE HAD SUCH A HIGH RATE. WHO WAS  
6 RESPONSIBLE FOR SIGNING OFF ON THESE? ARE THEY BEING HELD  
7 ACCOUNTABLE? WHEN YOU READ REPORTS ABOUT PEOPLE WHO ARE USING  
8 OVERTIME TO SEE WHO COULD GET MORE OVERTIME THAN ANOTHER  
9 INDIVIDUAL, IT WAS MORE OF A RACE OF ABUSING AND MISUSING  
10 TAXPAYERS' DOLLARS THAN IN PROVIDING THE PROTECTION TO OUR  
11 YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR JUVENILE FACILITIES. THERE WAS NO  
12 CONTROLS. AND THOSE INDIVIDUALS SHOULD ALSO BE HELD  
13 ACCOUNTABLE FOR THOSE.

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'LL ADD THAT TO OUR REPORT BACK.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THAT'S THAT MOTION FOR REPORT BACK, MR.  
18 CHAIRMAN.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.  
21 THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. SO ORDERED. JUST A REPORT BACK, IS THAT  
22 CORRECT? OKAY.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THAT WAS ALL I HAD.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOUR ADJOURNMENTS?

2    OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE S-1, 6 AND 35. LET'S DO ITEM 6.

3    ARNOLD SACHS. JOSHUA KIM. SUSAN BURTON. AND NATHANIEL PERKINS-  
4    ALI.

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6    **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. I  
7    APPLAUD YOUR STAND IN THE POSITION HERE FOR THIS 10,000 COUNTY  
8    RESIDENTS. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I THINK IT SHOULD BE A  
9    BLUEPRINT. AND IF YOU'RE GOING TO BE REACH REACHING IN THAT  
10   AREA, EXTENDING THE COUNTY OUT IN THAT AREA, I THINK  
11   RETRACTION SHOULD TAKE PLACE IN ANOTHER AREA. AND ALTHOUGH I  
12   ALSO APPLAUD THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE TO INCREASE IT TO 500  
13   PEOPLE, I DON'T BELIEVE THAT RIGHT NOW IS THE TIME TO EXPAND  
14   THAT PROGRAM AND AT THE SAME TIME TRY TO FIND JOBS OR  
15   SUBSIDIZE EMPLOYMENT FOR 10,000 COUNTY EMPLOYEES OR COUNTY  
16   RESIDENTS. I THINK YOUR FOCUS SHOULD BE ON THE 10,000, HAVING  
17   THE FUNDING. IF THERE'S A PROBLEM WITH THE STATE FUNDING, IF  
18   IT CAN BE WORKED THAT YOU CAN USE FUNDING FOR THE HOMELESS  
19   INITIATIVE, THE 500, TO FILL IN GAPS FOR THIS 10,000, YOU'D BE  
20   BETTER AND MORE WELL-SERVED WITH THOSE RESOURCES HEADING IN  
21   THAT DIRECTION THAN TO TRY TO FUND BOTH PROGRAMS. I APPLAUD  
22   BOTH PROGRAMS, BUT IN THIS TIME OF THE CRISIS, ONE NEEDS TO  
23   TAKE PRECEDENT OVER THE OTHER. AND A JOB PROGRAM NEEDS TO TAKE  
24   PRECEDENCE OVER A HOMELESS PROGRAM. OTHERWISE WITHOUT A JOB  
25   YOU'LL HAVE MORE PEOPLE HOMELESS. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. JUST SO YOU KNOW, THESE ARE  
3 TEMPERATURE SUBSIDIZED JOBS. THE PROGRAM EXPIRES IN OCTOBER OF  
4 2010. SO WE ARE THE ONLY PLACE IN THE NATION THAT HAS FOUND A  
5 WAY TO UTILIZE THESE TEMPORARY STIMULUS DOLLARS. SO THAT'S  
6 EXACTLY WHAT THEY'RE FOR AND IT'S A SHORT-TERM PROGRAM. YES,  
7 NEXT.

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9 **JOSHUA KIM:** THANK YOU. WELL I LIKewise APPLAUD YOUR  
10 INITIATIVE. MY NAME IS JOSHUA KIM. I'M A STAFF ATTORNEY AT A  
11 NEW WAY OF LIFE RENTRY PROJECT. I LIKewise APPLAUD YOUR  
12 INITIATIVE IN TRYING TO HELP THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. WHO NEED  
13 THIS MONEY TO STIMULATE THE LOCAL ECONOMY. WELL THE PROBLEM  
14 THAT I SEE WITH IT, HOWEVER, IS THAT CALWORKS PROGRAM ITSELF  
15 MAY NOT BE THE BEST VEHICLE FOR GETTING THE MONEY TO THE  
16 NEEDIEST PEOPLE FOR THE SIMPLE REASON IS THAT, ONE, UNDER THE  
17 LAW, CALWORKS ELIGIBILITY IS DEPENDENT ON A PERSON NOT HAVING  
18 A FELONY DRUG CONVICTION. AND A LOT OF THE PEOPLE WHO WOULD  
19 NEED THIS MONEY DO HAVE THAT CONVICTION ON THEIR RECORD. AND,  
20 TWO, BECAUSE AS IS PRACTICED, CALWORKS HAS A LOT OF PROBLEMS  
21 REACHING OUT TO PEOPLE WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS IN THAT A LOT OF  
22 EMPLOYERS PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM HAVE A BLANKET BAN ON  
23 PEOPLE WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS. IN FACT, THERE IS A STATEWIDE  
24 INITIATIVE RIGHT NOW GOING ON, SPEARHEADED BY AN NATIONAL  
25 EMPLOYMENT OF ALL PROJECT. AND WE ARE ALSO A NEW WAY OF LIFE



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1 REENTRY PROJECT IS ALSO PART OF THAT, TRYING TO LITIGATE A  
2 CASE AGAINST A -- IN ALAMEDA COUNTY AS A TEST CASE TO REFORM  
3 THAT POLICY OF LETTING EMPLOYERS JUST HAVE A BLANKET BAN  
4 AGAINST PEOPLE WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS. HOWEVER, I BELIEVE THAT  
5 THIS EFFORT STILL MAY BE SAVED IF WE GIVE IT DUE CONSIDERATION  
6 AND INCLUDE IN THE CONTRACT, THAT PHONE CONTRACT THAT THE  
7 COUNTY PROVIDES TO EMPLOYERS FOR THIS PROGRAM TO INCLUDE  
8 LANGUAGES ABOUT THE EXISTING CURRENT LAW ABOUT TITLE 7  
9 PROHIBITING A BLANKET BAN ON HIRING PEOPLE WITH CRIMINAL  
10 RECORDS. NOW, THIS PROGRAM IS -- THE PROBLEM WITH THIS PROGRAM  
11 IS THAT CURRENTLY THE COUNTY HAS A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE  
12 TRYING TO FIND A JOB BUT CANNOT BECAUSE OF THE CRIMINAL  
13 RECORDS. THIS WILL PROVIDE A LOT OF HELP FOR THOSE PEOPLE. AND  
14 ESPECIALLY PEOPLE COMING OUT OF PRISONS, PEOPLE WHO ARE FORMER  
15 GANG MEMBERS OR CURRENT GANG MEMBERS TRYING TO GET OUT. AND  
16 PEOPLE WHO ARE AT-RISK YOUTH WHO MAY HAVE SOME CRIMINAL  
17 RECORDS THAT BAR THEM FROM GETTING EMPLOYMENT. SO, AGAIN, WITH  
18 A SMALL CHANGE IN A CONTRACT, WE CAN GO MAKE A BIG STEP  
19 TOWARDS ENCOURAGING PEOPLE WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS TO APPLY FOR  
20 THIS PROGRAM AND GET THE NECESSARY FUNDING. AND BECAUSE WE  
21 NEED SOME MORE TIME TO LOOK AT THE ACTUAL PRECISE LANGUAGE TO  
22 CHANGE THE CONTRACT, I'M ASKING THE BOARD TO CONTINUE THIS  
23 MOTION UNTIL WE CAN COME UP WITH A LANGUAGE FOR ABOUT TWO  
24 WEEKS' TIME. WE HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THE SECOND PART OF THIS  
25 MOTION, ENCOURAGING THE STATE GOVERNMENT TO NOT CUT THE



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1 FUNDING FOR THE CALWORKS PROGRAM. SO THAT PART WE HAVE NO  
2 OBJECTION TO. BUT IN TERMS OF THE MOTION TO ADOPT THE PLAN  
3 ITSELF, WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT YOU CONTINUE THE MOTION  
4 UNTIL A LATER TIME.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

7

8 **SUSAN BURTON:** HI, I'M SUSAN BURTON. I AM THE DIRECTOR AND  
9 FOUNDER OF A NEW WAY OF LIFE REENTRY PROJECT. I WAS HERE LAST  
10 WEEK. I JUST WANT TO SAY I HOPE THIS DOESN'T BECOME A HANGOUT  
11 FOR ME BECAUSE THERE IS WORK TO BE DONE. I'M HERE ALSO ASKING  
12 THAT THIS MOTION BE TABLED, THAT THERE BE SOME LANGUAGE AND  
13 OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN IT UP FOR MORE PEOPLE. I KNOW THAT YOU ARE  
14 CONCERNED WITH THE BUDGET AND THE LACK OF JOBS. AND I COMMEND  
15 YOU FOR ACTUALLY GETTING THESE JOBS, THIS SOURCE OF JOBS FOR  
16 OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS. BUT WHILE THIS SOURCE OF JOBS COMES IN  
17 AND IT'S A TEMPORARY SOURCE OF JOBS, IT WOULD JUST MAKE GOOD  
18 PRACTICE AND SENSE TO OPEN IT UP FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE PRIOR  
19 CONVICTIONS, PEOPLE WHO HAVE HAD A CONFLICT WITH THE LAW,  
20 PEOPLE WHO ARE STRUGGLING TO ACTUALLY MAKE A WAY, MAKE IT BACK  
21 INTO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND START OVER AGAIN. FOR THE  
22 PAST 10 YEARS, I'VE WORKED CLOSELY WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE COMING  
23 HOME FROM PRISONS AND JAILS, AND I WATCH THEM ANGUISH OVER HOW  
24 THEY'RE GOING TO ACCESS A JOB, WATCH THEM TURNED AWAY FROM  
25 JOBS, WATCHED THE DISCRIMINATION THAT HAPPENS AS A RESULT OF





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1 IT. SO WITH THE COUNTY, YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY HERE TO TAKE  
2 THE LEAD ON ACTUALLY EDUCATING EMPLOYERS AND IMPLEMENTING THE  
3 CONTRACT AND FOLLOWING FEDERAL LAW THAT WOULD NOT ALLOW  
4 DISCRIMINATION FOR PEOPLE BASED ON A PRIOR CONFLICT WITH THE  
5 LAW, PRIOR CONVICTIONS AND SO FORTH. SO AGAIN I APPLAUD YOUR  
6 EFFORT. I ASK THAT THIS MATTER BE TABLED SO IT CAN BE LOOKED  
7 AT MORE CLOSELY THAT IT'S IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 7 AND THE  
8 E.E.O.C. AND THAT'S ALL THAT I HAVE TO SAY EXCEPT I DO HAVE 10  
9 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE OF WORKING WITH PEOPLE COMING HOME. I'VE  
10 BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL WITH GETTING PEOPLE FROM THE GATE INTO  
11 LAW-ABIDING WAYS THROUGH TRAININGS AND DIFFERENT AVENUES. AND  
12 I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO ACTUALLY USE THOSE EXPERTISE. THANKS.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BEFORE MR. PERKINS SPEAKS,  
15 CHARSLEEN POE AND DEBRA TYLER, IF YOU WOULD JOIN US, PLEASE.  
16 OKAY, YES SIR.

17

18 **NATHANIEL PERKINS-ALI:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS NATHANIEL  
19 PERKINS-ALI, AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL  
20 ASSOCIATION OF BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN AND OUT. FIRST OF ALL,  
21 I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR LISTENING TO US. AND I  
22 WANT TO APOLOGIZE FOR ANY INTERRUPTION THAT OCCURRED DURING  
23 YOUR PROCEEDINGS. I AM A NARCOLEPTIC SLEEP APNEA. SO I JUST  
24 APOLOGIZE FOR THAT EPISODE. FOR THE PAST 16 YEARS, THE  
25 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN AND OUT HAS





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1 BEEN IN AND OUT OF PRISONS AND LABORING IN THE EFFORT TO  
2 ELIMINATE THE CONDITIONS THAT CAUSE CRIME AND ILLITERACY.  
3 WE'VE BEEN MODERATELY SUCCESSFUL, EVEN THOUGH WE'VE NEVER BEEN  
4 FUNDED IN THESE PAST 16 YEARS. IT HAS BEEN TOTALLY FUNDED BY  
5 DR. DONALD R. EVANS, WHO HAS NOW RELOCATED TO TEXAS. HE'S 81  
6 YEARS OLD. HOWEVER, ON THIS ISSUE OF REENTRY AND THE 10,000  
7 JOBS THAT ARE PROPOSED, WE HUMBLY IMPORE YOU TO CONSIDER  
8 ALLOCATING A PERCENTAGE OF THOSE JOBS TO THE FORMERLY  
9 INCARCERATED THAT ARE ABOUT TO BE RELEASED. AND ADDITIONALLY,  
10 IT WOULD BE TO THIS BOARD'S ADVANTAGE IF YOU BRING THE VARIOUS  
11 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS COMMUNITY COALITION,  
12 THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN AND OUT,  
13 NEW WAY OF LIFE TO THE TABLE SO THAT WE CAN STRATEGIZE ON HOW  
14 TO BREAK THIS RECIDIVISM PATTERN. YOU KNOW, IF WE KEEP ON JUST  
15 RECYCLING THEM, THEN WE'RE GOING TO KEEP ON HAVING CRIME. IF  
16 YOU BRING THEM HOME AND YOU DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO OFFER TO  
17 THEM, THEN THEY'RE GOING TO REOFFEND. IF YOU DON'T HAVE  
18 HOUSING, IF YOU DON'T HAVE JOB PREPARATION OR JOBS TO OFFER  
19 THEM AND YOU'RE ISOLATING THEM FROM SOCIETY, THEY'RE GOING TO  
20 REOFFEND. SO IT'S NOT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC  
21 SAFETY OR ANYBODY. SO IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT YOU BRING US TO THE  
22 TABLE. AND BASED ON OUR EXPERTISE OF EXPERIENCE THAT WE'VE  
23 BEEN DOING THIS, WE HAVE SOLUTIONS. THANK YOU.  
24



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1   **CHARSLEEN POE:** MY NAME IS CHARsLEEN POE. AND I WAS RELEASED  
2   FROM PRISON AUGUST OF 2007 FOR THE LAST TIME. I CAME TO A NEW  
3   WAY OF LIFE. AND SINCE BEING THERE, I HAVE FOUND SENSE OF HOPE  
4   FOR MY FUTURE. I UNDERSTAND MY RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE MY  
5   COMMUNITY A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE. I WILL COMPLETE MY COMPUTER  
6   LITERACY CLASS AT MAXINE WATERS JUNE 17TH, 2009. I'M HOPEFUL  
7   TO GET A JOB AND BECOME A PRODUCTIVE WORKER IN THE COUNTY OF  
8   LOS ANGELES. I HAVE WORKED VERY HARD FOR THIS AND I HOPE I GET  
9   A SECOND CHANCE. THANK YOU. THAT WAS TO THE BOARD OF  
10  DIRECTORS.

11

12   **DEBRA TYLER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DEBRA TYLER. I WAS  
13   RELEASED JUNE 2008. AND I CAME TO A NEW WAY OF LIFE WHEN I WAS  
14   RELEASED. SUSAN BURTON BECAME A LEADER AND A MENTOR FOR ME.  
15   TODAY I'M USEFUL AS A HOUSE MANAGER FOR ACHIEVERS' HOUSE. I AM  
16   PROUD TO BE MAKING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE ASSISTING WOMEN WHO ARE  
17   COMING BACK FROM PRISON. I KNOW WHAT I DO PROMOTES COMMUNITY  
18   SAFETY. TODAY I AM PURSUING A STEADY JOB. I HAVE ONLY BEEN  
19   ABLE TO WORK THROUGH TEMPORARY AGENCIES DUE TO MY CRIMINAL  
20   BACKGROUND. BUT IN A FEW WEEKS, I WILL BE DISCHARGED FROM  
21   PAROLE AND WITHOUT INCIDENT. I KNOW I HAVE A CHANGE IN MY LIFE  
22   AND NEED A SECOND CHANCE TO BETTER MY LIFE. I AM INVOLVED IN A  
23   COUPLE OF COMMUNITY PROGRAMS THAT GIVE ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
24   GIVE BACK WHAT WAS GIVEN TO ME. I'M AWARE THAT 10,000 JOBS  
25   WILL BE CREATED THROUGH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND I AM



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1 HOPEFUL I WILL GET ONE. MY CONCERN THAT CALWORKS PROGRAM IS  
2 WELL KNOWN FOR EXCLUDING PEOPLE WITH RECORDS BECAUSE WE ARE  
3 HARD TO PLACE AND EMPLOYERS DON'T WANT US. IF THE BOARD DOES  
4 ALLOW THIS PROBLEM, I BELIEVE -- WILL NOT ADDRESS THIS  
5 PROBLEM, I BELIEVE IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR PEOPLE LIKE ME TO  
6 BENEFIT FROM THE PLAN. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OBVIOUSLY THERE'S A SENSE OF URGENCY AS  
9 IT RELATES TO THIS MOTION BECAUSE OF THE WHOLE PROGRAM.  
10 MIGUEL, YOU MIGHT WANT TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE THAT WAS RAISED  
11 HERE, PLEASE.

12

13 **MIGUEL SANTANA:** MIGUEL SANTANA. I'M DEPUTY C.E.O. I'M ACTUALLY  
14 GLAD TO SEE THAT THERE WERE FOLKS HERE ON THIS ISSUE BECAUSE  
15 ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE DESIGNED AS PART OF THIS 10,000 JOB  
16 INITIATIVE IS TO ALLOW THE SOUTH BAY WEB, WHICH WILL BE THE  
17 EMPLOYER OF RECORD FOR ALL OF THESE WORKERS, TO CONDUCT A  
18 SEPARATE R.F.I. SO THAT WE COULD TARGET SPECIFIC POPULATIONS  
19 THAT MAY HAVE SPECIFIC NEEDS. THERE'S NOTHING IN THIS PROGRAM  
20 THAT EXCLUDES EX-FELONS TO PARTICIPATE. THE ONLY REQUIREMENT  
21 IS THAT YOU BE A GAIN PARTICIPANT. AND THE SPECIFIC JOB THAT  
22 THAT PERSON HAS MAY HAVE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS. AND EACH JOB  
23 WILL BE LOOKED AT INDIVIDUALLY TO DETERMINE IF THERE'S A JOB  
24 NEXUS BETWEEN THE FELONY AND THE PARTICULAR JOB. BUT WE ARE  
25 DOING AN R.F.I. TO TARGET VETERANS, TO TARGET FOLKS WHO MAY



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1 HAVE CRIMINAL RECORDS, AND OTHER SPECIAL POPULATIONS. MR.  
2 CHAIRMAN, IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO HAVE MR. SANTANA HAVE A  
3 SPECIFIC CONVERSATION WITH THOSE WHO SPOKE TO CLARIFY THIS  
4 ISSUE IN SUCH A WAY THAT THEY HAVE FULL APPRECIATION FOR THE  
5 CONCERNS THAT THEY DID RAISE ARE BEING ACCOMMODATED BY THAT  
6 WHICH IS ABOUT TO BE DISPOSED OF. THAT'S REALLY RATHER  
7 IMPORTANT TO ME. SO UPON CONCLUSION OF THE DISCUSSION, IT  
8 WOULD BE MINE TO HAVE YOU SPEAK DIRECTLY WITH THOSE PERSONS  
9 WHO HAVE TESTIFIED TO APPROPRIATELY ACCOMMODATE THOSE  
10 CONCERNS.

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12 **MIGUEL SANTANA:** WE'LL BE HAPPY TO.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THE MOTION IS BEFORE US. I'LL  
15 MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT  
16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU. ITEM 35? ITEM 35 IS BEFORE  
17 US. DR. CLAVREUL, YOU SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON ITEM 35?

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19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
20 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW, I AM SURPRISED THAT FOR  
21 HUBERT HUMPHREY, WE STILL DO NOT HAVE A TOTAL AGREEMENT TO  
22 COVER THE NEED OF THAT PLACE. AND I WONDER WHAT KIND OF  
23 PROCESS IS BEING USED FOR THE SELECTION AND WHY WE DID NOT  
24 HAVE AN R.F.P. WAY BEFORE THAT, AND WE ARE STILL GOING MONTH-  
25 TO-MONTH. O MANY OF THOSE ISSUES WILL COME BACK CONSISTENTLY.



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1 AND MAYBE IT'S A WAY FOR YOU TO PREVENT THE PUBLIC TO KNOW  
2 WHAT'S GOING ON, BUT IT WOULD BE NICE IF WE HAVE SOME R.F.P.  
3 AND LONG-TERM CONTRACTS FOR SOME OF THOSE IMPORTANT  
4 SITUATIONS.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE AT THE TAIL END, AS I UNDERSTAND  
7 IT, IN THE PROCESS. IT'S ALREADY DONE THE R.F.P., IS THAT  
8 CORRECT?

9

10 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. SOMEONE FROM THE HEALTH  
13 DEPARTMENT CAN RESPOND TO THAT, PLEASE? QUICKLY. I THINK I GOT  
14 THE ANSWER. I THINK THAT'S THE ANSWER. I ASKED THE SAME  
15 QUESTION.

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17 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, THE COMPETITIVE PROCESS IS  
18 UNDERWAY ON THIS. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PROPOSALS COME IN AND  
19 THEY ARE JUST BEING EVALUATED AT THIS POINT. IN TERMS OF THE  
20 TIMING OF IT, THERE WERE A COUPLE OF OTHER R.F.P.S FOR RELATED  
21 SERVICES THAT WE DECIDED TO DO FIRST BECAUSE OF THE SIZE OF  
22 THEM AND BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THEM.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SO THE ITEM IS BEFORE  
25 US. STAY RIGHT HERE, JOHN. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.



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1    SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
2    ORDERED. ITEM S-1, IS THERE ANY REPORT FROM STAFF, THE C.E.O.  
3    ON ITEM S-1? AND THEN GENEVIEVE ALSO HELD THAT ITEM.

4

5    **CAROL MEYER:** CAROL MEYER, INTERIM CHIEF NETWORK OFFICER. THIS  
6    IS OUR 13TH REPORT TO THE BOARD AFTER THE MOVE TO THE NEW  
7    FACILITY, THE NEW L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. THIS IS THE  
8    INTERIM OPERATIONAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY, AND  
9    PRIMARILY DEMONSTRATES THE TRENDING OF THE EMERGENCY  
10   DEPARTMENT ADMISSIONS AND THE TOTAL HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS AS  
11   WELL AS SPECIALTY SERVICES. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO POINT  
12   OUT UNDER THE ADMISSIONS IT'S BEEN STATED THAT THE ADMISSIONS  
13   HAVE NOT REGAINED BACK TO THE LEVEL PRIOR TO THE HOSPITAL  
14   MOVE. AND A BIG FACTOR IN THAT IS THAT WE'RE ACTUALLY  
15   TRANSFERRING PATIENTS TO RANCHO AS WELL AS OTHER PRIVATE  
16   HOSPITALS AND THAT MAKES UP MUCH OF THE DIFFERENCE. IN  
17   ADDITION, WE'VE PROVIDED ANSWERS TO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS POSED  
18   BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH RELATED TO SPECIALTY SERVICES,  
19   RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAMS, AS WELL AS HEALTH PLAN  
20   AGREEMENTS. WE'LL BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

21

22   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS? SUPERVISOR  
23   MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, DR.  
24   CLAVREUL. GO AHEAD, MIKE.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN YOUR BIWEEKLY STATUS REPORTS, YOU HAD  
2   PROVIDED THOSE CHARTS AND TABLES RELATING THE VARIOUS DATA. IN  
3   ADDITION, COULD YOU ALSO INCLUDE SOME NARRATIVE ASSESSING THE  
4   IMPLICATIONS OF THE DATA, PARTICULARLY ON THE SPECIFIC  
5   PROBLEMS THAT ARE REFLECTED BY THE DATA AND THE ACTIONS BEING  
6   TAKEN TO ADDRESS THOSE PROBLEM AREAS?

7

8   **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** : YES, WE WILL, SUPERVISOR.

9

10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** INCLUDING POSITIVE RESULTS OF PAST ACTIONS  
11   YOU HAVE TAKEN, SPECIFICALLY ON HOW THEY'RE REFLECTED IN THE  
12   PERFORMANCE INDICATORS. AND ALSO YOU INDICATE THAT THE O.M.C.  
13   IS WORKING ON A PLAN TO GUIDE THE CONTRACTING AND MARKETING OF  
14   SPECIALTY CARE SERVICES. IF SUCCESSFUL, HOW WOULD YOU  
15   RECONCILE THE COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER SECTION 17,000  
16   WITH THE EXPANDED UTILIZATION BY PRIVATE PATIENTS? AND WOULD  
17   YOU INCLUDE THIS BOTH INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT SPECIALTY CARE?

18

19   **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THIS IS INPATIENT, SUPERVISOR. AND WE ARE  
20   BALANCING THOSE IN OUR PLAN.

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22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. GENEVIEVE, DR. CLAVREUL?

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24   **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
25   DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. WELL, I APPRECIATE THE QUESTION





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1 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ASKED BECAUSE SOME OF THE QUESTIONS I'VE  
2 BEEN ASKING FOR QUITE SOME TIME. I AM KIND OF SURPRISED THAT I  
3 THINK CONSISTENTLY LIKE AN EXAMPLE, I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE  
4 ACCURACY OF THE DATA WE RECEIVED ON AN ONGOING BASIS FROM THE  
5 D.H.S. LIKE AN EXAMPLE, ON THIS REPORT IS DATED JUNE THE  
6 FIFTH. BUT JUNE THE SIXTH I WENT TO COMPUTER AND TRIED TO  
7 ACCESS THE REPORT AND IT SAYS DOCUMENTATION. SORRY, NOT  
8 AVAILABLE. AND THAT'S CONSTANT. AND I THINK WHEN YOU GIVE YOUR  
9 REPORT, I THINK TO HAVE THE ACTUAL DATA ON IT IS KIND OF  
10 IMPORTANT. I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT IT IS ACCESSIBLE  
11 TO THE PUBLIC WHEN IT IS DONE. AND ALSO I AM KIND OF AMAZED TO  
12 SEE THAT THEY ARE ONLY NOW DEVELOPING AN ACTION PLAN THAT WILL  
13 GUIDE THE CONTRACTING AND MARKETING ACTIVITY. THAT SHOULD HAVE  
14 BEEN DONE BEFORE THE HOSPITAL WAS OPENED. WHY ARE WE DOING  
15 MONTHS AFTER THE HOSPITAL IS OPEN? A FEW DAYS AGO I WAS  
16 TALKING ABOUT THE COMMISSION, ONE OF THE COMMISSIONERS  
17 YESTERDAY STATED THAT U.S.C. REFURBISHED THE HOSPITAL. EXCUSE  
18 ME. THIS IS A NOT A REFURBISHED HOSPITAL. IF YOUR OWN  
19 COMMISSIONER DOESN'T KNOW THAT'S A BRAND NEW HOSPITAL,  
20 SOMETHING WRONG IN THE COMMUNICATION. AND IT'S SAD. BUT IT'S  
21 PART OF THE WHOLE PACKAGE. LACK OF KNOWLEDGE, LACK OF  
22 COMMUNICATION AND LACK OF CARING. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR THE KIND WORDS. ALL RIGHT.  
25 WE JUST RECEIVE AND FILE S-1. IS CAROL MEYER STILL HERE? I



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1 JUST WANTED TO THANK -- LAST WEEK, AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE MY  
2 COLLEAGUES, I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY, I WAS OUT DOING AN EVENT IN  
3 AN AREA. WAS INFORMED THAT I WAS CLOSE TO OUR EMERGENCY  
4 MANAGEMENT TEAM AS IT RELATES TO OUR PREPAREDNESS FOR VARIOUS  
5 MASS EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, WHEREVER THAT MAY BE,  
6 FLOODS, FIRE, EARTHQUAKES, WHATEVER IT MAY BE. AND GOT A  
7 COMPLETE TOUR OF THE OPERATION. AND I WOULD JUST ENCOURAGE MY  
8 COLLEAGUES, IF YOU EVER GET A CHANCE TO GO SEE IT, CAROL AND  
9 HER ENTIRE STAFF OUT THERE DO AN INCREDIBLE JOB. IT'S AN  
10 INCREDIBLE OPERATION. AND I WILL TELL YOU, IT WILL MAKE YOU  
11 FEEL VERY GOOD ABOUT OUR PREPAREDNESS AS A COUNTY FOR THE  
12 VARIOUS DISASTERS THAT WE HAVE FROM TIME TO TIME. SO PLEASE  
13 CONVEY THAT TO THE ENTIRE STAFF OUT THERE. I APPRECIATED THEIR  
14 TIME. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, I APPRECIATED OUR STATE OF  
15 READINESS. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. WE BELIEVE THAT TAKES CARE OF  
16 THE ITEMS EXCEPT WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENTS, IS THAT CORRECT? OH,  
17 BOY. THICK. I'M GOING TO CALL YOU UP FOUR AT A TIME. EVELYN  
18 MASON, AUBREY MANUEL, MARIA ROCHA, AND LETICIA LOPEZ? IF YOU  
19 ARE HERE, JUST COME FORWARD, PLEASE. OKAY. GO AHEAD AND  
20 IDENTIFY YOURSELF, PLEASE.

21

22 **MARIA ROCHA:** HI, MY NAME IS MARIA ROCHA. AND MY CONCERN IS  
23 ABOUT THE HOME EVALUATIONS THAT THEY'RE DOING TO OUR HOME  
24 FOSTER PARENTS. AND THEY'RE GOING TO EVALUATE OUR HOME BUT  
25 THEY'RE RUDE, NASTY, AND THEY'RE DISRESPECTFUL. AND THE WAY



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1    THEY EVALUATE OUR HOMES, THEY GO TO THE ROOMS, AND ESPECIALLY  
2    TO THE CAREGIVER AND THEY START TAKING EVERYTHING OUT OF THE  
3    DRAWERS AND THEN GOING THROUGH THE CLOSETS. AND IN MY PERSONAL  
4    OPINION, THAT'S NOT AN EVALUATION. AND ALSO THE EVALUATOR, SHE  
5    TELL US THAT SHE HAS THE POWER TO PUT THE HOUSES ON HOLD. AND  
6    THEN SHE BRAGS THAT SHE HAS OVER 400 HOUSES ON HOLD. AND I DID  
7    ASK THE SUPERVISOR OF THAT EVALUATOR TO GIVE HER A TRAINING SO  
8    SHE CAN GO TO OUR HOMES AND TREAT US WITH RESPECT AND NOT TO  
9    INTIMIDATE US AND NOT TO THREATEN US. AND THE RESPONSE WAS  
10    THAT SHE WAS GOING TO LOOK INTO IT. AND NOW I'M ON HOLD. SHE  
11    PUT MY HOUSE ON HOLD. AND THAT'S RETALIATING AGAINST US. THANK  
12    YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

13

14    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL HAVE SOMEBODY FROM THE  
15    DEPARTMENT. RIGHT OVER HERE IF YOU'LL SPEAK TO THIS GENTLEMAN.

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17    **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU'VE CALLED US A COUPLE OF TIMES, RIGHT?

18

19    **MARIA ROCHA:** YES, I DID, WE DID SEND EMAILS. THE FOSTER  
20    PARENTS ARE VERY CONCERNED, AND THEY'RE TERRORIZED, THEY'RE  
21    SCARED BECAUSE THEY THINK --

22

23    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE SOMEONE FROM WITH THE DEPARTMENT  
24    YOU CAN TALK TO HERE.

25



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1   **MARIA ROCHA:** FOR US IT'S LIKE A GESTAPO GOING TO OUR HOMES.

2

3   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

4

5   **AUBREY MANUEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS AUBREY MANUEL. AND  
6 I'M THE PRESIDENT FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESOURCE FAMILY  
7 COORDINATING COUNCIL. I'M ALSO THE PRESIDENT FOR THE  
8 CALIFORNIA STATE CARE PROVIDERS' ASSOCIATION. THESE  
9 ASSOCIATIONS REPRESENT VARIOUS CAREGIVERS, INCLUDING FOSTER  
10 PARENTS, KINSHIP PARENTS, LEGAL GUARDIANS, ADOPTIVE PARENTS  
11 AND PROBATE PARENTS. AGAIN, JUST LIKE THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER, WE  
12 AS A GROUP COLLECTIVELY WE DO HAVE GRAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THIS  
13 D.C.F.S. FOSTER HOME EVALUATION UNIT. AND WE'RE HOPING TO GET  
14 YOUR ATTENTION AND IMMEDIATE UNDIVIDED ATTENTION TO ADDRESS  
15 THIS ISSUE AS FAR AS THE REIGN OF TERROR THAT THEY'RE  
16 PRESENTING TO OUR HOMES. WITH RESPECT TO PUTTING THE HOMES ON  
17 HOLD BASED ON INFORMATION THAT IS A DECADE OLD. THEY'RE USING  
18 CLOSED ALLEGATIONS, CLOSED REFERRALS, REFERRALS THAT HAVE BEEN  
19 ADJUDICATED YEARS. AND THEY'RE USING THIS AS A BASIS TO PUT  
20 THE HOMES ON HOLD, THAT MEANS DENY FUTURE PLACEMENTS FOR  
21 FOSTER CHILDREN. HOWEVER, THIS HAS ANOTHER EFFECT. WHEN THIS  
22 UNIT INFORMS OTHER REGIONS WITHIN D.C.F.S. ABOUT THE HOME  
23 BEING DENIED FOR PLACEMENTS, THIS TENDS TO HAVE THE REGIONS  
24 REACT IN A VERY NEGATIVE MANNER, WHICH MAY CAUSE A PLACEMENT  
25 DISRUPTION OF CURRENT CHILDREN IN THE HOME, WHICH RESULTS IN



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1 AWOLS, CHILDREN BEING PLACED IN A VERY UNSAFE PREDICAMENT. WE  
2 FEEL THAT THIS PRACTICE OF USING CLOSED REFERRALS AND  
3 COMPLAINTS, THEY SHOULD GET RID OF IT AND THEY SHOULDN'T USE  
4 THIS. AND FURTHERMORE, WE FEEL THAT TOO MUCH AUTHORITY IS  
5 GIVEN TO A C.S.W. TO MAKE SUCH A GRAVE DECISION THAT MAY  
6 ENDANGER THE LIVES OF CHILDREN AND ALSO THE REPUTATION OF  
7 FOSTER PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS. WE'VE ADDRESSED THIS ISSUE WITH  
8 THE A.R.A., KAREN RICHARDSON, ON MARCH OF 2009. SHE SENT A  
9 LETTER BACK ON THE 24TH OF MARCH ADDRESSING OUR CONCERNS. ALSO  
10 ON THE SAME DATE, THIS DEPARTMENT SENT OUT A LETTER TO ME AS  
11 THE PRESIDENT BUT ME AS A FOSTER PARENT, I SHOULD SAY, TELLING  
12 ME THAT MY HOME IS BEING DENIED FOR A PLACEMENT, WHICH IS A  
13 RETALIATORY ACT. IT MUST BE ADDRESSED. THIS MUST STOP. WHAT'S  
14 DISTURBING IS THAT WHEN THEY PLACED MY HOME ON HOLD, THEY USED  
15 AN 11-PAGE DOCUMENT TO MAKE THIS DETERMINATION. 11 PAGES. THIS  
16 UNIT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REVIEW OF 1,300 HOMES WITH FOUR  
17 STAFF. WE JUST HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS WE WOULD LIKE TO  
18 HAVE ANSWERED. AND THAT IS THAT WE WANT TO KNOW HOW MANY HOMES  
19 HAVE BEEN PLACED ON HOLD BY THIS UNIT FROM THE TIME THEY  
20 STARTED? AND WE ALSO WANT TO KNOW IF ALL OF THE LICENSED HOMES  
21 HAVE BEEN EVALUATED. WE KNOW WHAT THE BOARD INTENT WAS WHEN  
22 THEY CREATED THIS UNIT. AND THAT WAS TO REPLACE THE VOID LEFT  
23 BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES COMMUNITY CARE  
24 LICENSING DIVISION. AND THAT WAS TO GO OUT AND MAKE SURE THAT



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1 THE HOMES ARE SAFE AND THE CAREGIVERS ARE CLEARED. THIS  
2 DEPARTMENT IS NOT DOING SUCH.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP, PLEASE?

5

6 **AUBREY MANUEL:** YES, I WILL, SIR, YES. PLEASE HELP US TO  
7 CONTINUE TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE A STABLE PLACEMENT FOR OUR  
8 HOMES. WE HAVE THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CHILDREN AT HEART.  
9 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THIS GENTLEMAN RIGHT OVER  
12 HERE. [APPLAUSE.] THE GENTLEMAN RIGHT OVER HERE FROM THE  
13 DEPARTMENT WILL TALK TO YOU. OKAY. PACIS GOFFNEY, BERNIE  
14 DUMONCEAUX, ANNE STUART, TANIA CARMENATE. OKAY. WOULD YOU  
15 LIKE TO GO AHEAD. IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD AND  
16 PROCEED.

17

18 **ANNE STUART:** YES. MY NAME IS ANNE STUART AND I AM HERE ON  
19 BEHALF OF THE CHILDREN OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I AM  
20 UNFORTUNATELY INVOLVED IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND  
21 FAMILY SERVICES SYSTEM, INCLUDING MY OWN. AND I WOULD LIKE TO  
22 DONATE MY MINUTES TO MISS TANIA CARMENANTE.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, GO AHEAD.

25



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1   **TANIA CARMENATE:** GOOD AFTERNOON AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.  
2   MY NAME IS TANIA CARMENATE, AND I HAVE A GRANDDAUGHTER WHO IS  
3   NINE YEARS OLD WITH WHOM MY FAMILY AND I HAVE BEEN BONDED TO  
4   SINCE BIRTH THAT WE HAVE NOT SEEN IN YEARS DUE TO THE  
5   CORRUPTION THAT EXISTS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND  
6   FAMILY SERVICES AND THE JUVENILE DEPENDENCY COURTS. MY SON'S  
7   PARENTAL RIGHTS WERE UNJUSTLY TERMINATED AFTER HIS FULL  
8   COMPLIANCE WITH COURT ORDER. D.C.F.S. NEGLECTED TO EXPLORE THE  
9   POSSIBILITY OF MY GRANDDAUGHTER HAVING A FAMILY THAT PERHAPS  
10   COULD HAVE TAKEN CUSTODY OF HER. WHEN I INQUIRED ABOUT FILING  
11   FOR CUSTODY, I WAS ADVISED AGAINST IT BY HIS COURT APPOINTED  
12   ATTORNEY WHO SAID IT WAS A WASTE OF MY TIME THAT IT WOULD  
13   NEVER HAPPEN AND IT WOULD ONLY DELAY HIS CASE. MY  
14   GRANDDAUGHTER WAS FIVE WHEN SHE WAS AN ABRUPTLY REMOVED FROM  
15   OUR LIVES. SHE WILL BE 10 IN SEPTEMBER. BUT THAT WILL JUST BE  
16   ANOTHER BIRTHDAY I WILL HAVE MISSED. SHE HAS GREAT  
17   GRANDPARENTS SHE WILL NEVER SEE AGAIN. SHE HAS COUSINS HER AGE  
18   SHE WILL NEVER PLAY WITH. I WILL NEVER SEE HER GRADUATE FROM  
19   HIGH SCHOOL OR PLAY THE PIANO OR SOCCER. BUT WORST OF ALL,  
20   THIS LITTLE GIRL IS SUFFERING FROM SEPARATION ANXIETY AND  
21   POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER DIRECTLY RELATED TO VIOLATIONS  
22   BY D.C.F.S., OF COUNTY POLICY AND WIT CODES. BECAUSE THIS  
23   LITTLE GIRL'S PARENTS SHE LOVES AND IS BONDED TO. PARENTS WHO  
24   LOVE HER AND COMPLIED WITH ALL COURT ORDERS, ONLY TO BE  
25   TERMINATED OF THEIR PARENTAL RIGHTS. CERTAINLY SOME OF YOU





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1 MUST HAVE CHILDREN. BUT UNTIL IT HAPPENS TO YOU OR SOMEONE YOU  
2 LOVE, YOU HAVE NO IDEA OF THE IRREPARABLE DAMAGE INFLICTED ON  
3 THESE INNOCENT SOULS. IT IS HEARTBREAKING AND I'M APPALLED AND  
4 SICKENED AS THOUSANDS OF INNOCENT CHILDREN ARE LEGALLY  
5 KIDNAPPED DAILY BY STATE AGENTS AND AGENCIES AND USED AS  
6 COMMODITIES. THESE CASES ARE NOT ABERRATIONS AND THEY ARE NOT  
7 DUE TO INCOMPETENCE ALONE. IT IS A STRATEGICALLY WELL-  
8 ORCHESTRATED DEBAUCHED ENTERPRISE, THE TRAFFICKING OF CHILDREN  
9 FOR PROFIT. THE JUVENILE DEPENDENCY COURTS MAKES A MOCKERY OF  
10 OUR JUDICIAL SYSTEM. IT IS THE ONLY COURT WHERE YOUR RIGHTS  
11 ARE CHECKED AT THE DOOR, WHERE YOU ARE GUILTY UNTIL PROVEN  
12 INNOCENT, WHERE BIASED JUDGES ACT BEYOND THEIR JURISDICTION,  
13 VIOLATING THEIR OATHS OF OFFICE AND THE PUBLIC INTEREST OF  
14 COMMITTING TREASON AGAINST INNOCENT CITIZENS. THEY HIDE BEHIND  
15 BLANKETS OF CONFIDENTIALITY. THERE IS NO DUE PROCESS OR EQUAL  
16 PROTECTION OF THE LAW. NO ONE IS HELD ACCOUNTABLE. AGENCIES  
17 AND AGENTS OF THE STATE ARE IMMUNE FROM LIABILITY AS ARE  
18 MANDATED REPORTERS SUCH AS DOCTORS, TEACHERS AND THE LIKES.  
19 FEW PARENTS ARE CRIMINALLY CHARGED WITH ANYTHING. RATHER, THEY  
20 ARE SUBJECTED TO A HIGHLY IRREGULAR CIVIL PROCEEDING. SOCIAL  
21 WORKERS PERJURE THEMSELVES UNDER OATH AND NEVER FACE  
22 ADMONISHMENT. AS THEY FABRICATE LIES, THEIR STORY IS  
23 CORROBORATED BY STATE FUNDED VENDORS, PROFESSIONALS SUCH AS  
24 THERAPISTS, COUNSELORS, ETC. WE ARE BECOMING A NATION THAT  
25 WILL LOSE THE SANCTITY OF HOME AND FAMILY, THE MORAL FIBER OF



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1 SOCIETY, IF WE DO NOT UNITE AND ADDRESS THE CORRUPTION THAT  
2 BREEDS IN THE OUR COUNTRY. SOCIAL WORKERS HAVE PROTESTED  
3 BECAUSE THEY ARE BEING HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE ABUSE AND  
4 DEATHS OF INNOCENT CHILDREN IN CUSTODY OF THE STATE. THEY  
5 CLAIM TO BE UNDERSTAFFED AND OVERWHELMED WITH CASELOADS  
6 EXCEEDING THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO COMPETENTLY MAINTAIN A  
7 CHILD'S BEST INTEREST. THEY SAY THEY DON'T HAVE THE PROPER  
8 TOOLS. AND THEY ARE PROBABLY RIGHT. AND IT IS PROBABLY TRUE.  
9 BUT WHY? WHY DO THE STATE AGENTS WAIT SO LONG TO HAVE THEIR  
10 VOICES BE HEARD? WHY MUST INNOCENT CHILDREN PAY THE PRICE WITH  
11 THEIR LIVES FOR THIS COUNTRY TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE SYSTEM IS  
12 BROKEN AND DEMORALIZING? NOW, NOW THAT THEY ARE BEING HELD  
13 ACCOUNTABLE? NOW THAT THEIR JOBS ARE AT STAKE? NOW THEY FIGHT?  
14 NOW THEY CARE?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP, PLEASE?

17

18 **ANNE STUART:** OKAY. WHERE ARE THE SUPERVISORS AND DIRECTORS IN  
19 ALL THIS WHO ARE SUPPOSED TO MONITOR THESE CASES? WHERE ARE  
20 THE CHECKS AND BALANCES?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YOU OBVIOUSLY ARE ON A VERY  
23 SPECIFIC CASE. AND THIS GENTLEMAN WILL TALK TO YOU RIGHT OVER  
24 HERE. SIR, DO YOU WANT TO RAISE YOUR HAND. THANK YOU. NEXT?  
25 YES.



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2 **PACIS GOFFNEY:** GOOD MORNING. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
3 MEMBERS. MY NAME IS PACIS GOFFNEY, DIRECTOR AND FOUNDER OF  
4 ECON OPPORTUNITIES.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PACIS, JUST HANG ON FOR A SECOND. HOLD  
7 HIS TIME, PLEASE. I'M GOING TO ASK HECTOR JAIME TO JOIN US AND  
8 FATEMEH BAGHERI, AND LUTHER LEWIS. OKAY. GO AHEAD.

9

10 **PACIS GOFFNEY:** I'M HERE TODAY, BASICALLY I WANTED TO JUST  
11 BRIEFLY SPEAK ON THE PEOPLE WHO JUST LEFT ON ITEM 6. I WANTED  
12 TO COMMENT BASED ON THE SEVEN YEARS OF MY EXPERIENCE DOING THE  
13 ACTUAL WORK AND HIRING OF EX-CONS THROUGH MY PROGRAM BEING A  
14 CONTRACTOR AND A PROJECT DEVELOPER MANAGER THAT MOST OF THE  
15 TIME BY ATTENDING THESE EVENTS WHERE THERE ARE CONTRACTORS  
16 THERE ARE WAIVERS THAT ARE SIGNED THAT ALLOW THEM TO HIRE  
17 OUTSIDE OF THE AT-RISK COMMUNITY OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE  
18 CONVICTED FELONS AND THAT'S MOSTLY HOW THEY GET AWAY WITH JUST  
19 CONTINUING TO LET THAT HAPPEN. BUT THAT'S NOT WHY I'M HERE.  
20 I'M HERE BECAUSE RECENTLY, THROUGH MY ASSOCIATE AND I, WE'VE  
21 GOT ANOTHER PROJECT DEVELOPMENT COMPANY STARTED. AND WE ARE  
22 ACTUALLY IN THE PROCESS, BECAUSE OF SPEAKING WITH MARGERY  
23 THOMAS' PEOPLE ABOUT TO GO TO PUBLIC WORKS AND ABOUT TO GO GET  
24 THESE JOBS, BUT IT'S A LOT HARDER TO FOR US TO GO PICK JOB BY  
25 JOB, WHEN IF THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY BASED ON THE COUNTY



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1 DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES THAT YOU CAN CHOOSE THREE  
2 COMPANIES AND PICK ONE IF IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR THE CAUSE, AND  
3 WHICH I THINK THAT RIGHT NOW IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR THE CAUSE.  
4 AND AT THE SAME TIME I'VE HAD A MEETING RECENTLY WITH P.V.  
5 JOBS AND THROUGH THE YEARS OF WORKING WITH PUBLIC WORK SOURCE,  
6 THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE BEING THE ONES WHO ARE  
7 RECEIVING FUNDS ORDINARY TO OPERATE TO HIRE THE AT-RISK AND  
8 EX-CONS, TO RECEIVE THE MONEY, BUT THEY HAVE NO MEANS TO DO IT  
9 BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT CONTRACTORS. THEY DON'T HAVE THE  
10 CAPABILITY TO HIRE ANYBODY. THEY'RE JUST RECEIVING FUNDS. AND  
11 I'M JUST HOPING THAT BY ME HAVING THIS PROGRAM, ECON  
12 OPPORTUNITIES AND BECOMING A PROJECT DEVELOPMENT MANAGER OVER  
13 THE COURSE OF THESE PAST SEVEN YEARS AND BEING ABLE TO DO WHAT  
14 I CAN DO, THAT I CAN GET SOME TYPE OF RESPONSE FROM YOU GUYS  
15 RATHER THAN JUST WHEN I WALK AWAY, HEADS ARE SHAKING THAT WE  
16 CAN WORK TOGETHER SO MY FOCUS CAN BE ACTUALLY AN OUTCOME  
17 RATHER THAN JUST ME JUST WORKING HARD TO GET IT DONE AND  
18 JUMPING OVER RED TAPE LIKE I'VE BEEN THROUGH FOR THE PAST  
19 SEVEN YEARS WHEN I DO HAVE SOMETHING THAT'S VALUABLE TO THE  
20 COMMUNITY AND TO THIS BOARD KEEPING US IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION  
21 OF BEING HIRED. I WILL CONTACT CALWORKS BECAUSE I'VE JUST  
22 HEARD ABOUT ITEM 6 AND TRY TO WORK WITH THEM. BUT MOST OF THE  
23 TIME THEY ALREADY HAVE INDIVIDUALS WHO THEY WORK WITH WHO THEY  
24 ARE GOING TO BE FOCUSING ON. SO I'LL CONTACT GLORIA MOLINA AND  
25 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND WE CAN WORK SOMETHING OUT SO WE CAN



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1 HAVE MORE FOCUS ON GETTING THE JOBS MORE THAN THE PROGRAM,  
2 BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT'S MORE IMPORTANT TO ME, WHO HAS THE JOBS  
3 CAN CONTROL THE PEOPLE. SO THAT'S WHY I'M HERE.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD ALSO, IN ADDITION TO WORKING  
6 WITH THEIR OFFICES, WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO DO THE SOUTH BAY  
7 WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD BECAUSE THAT'S THE EMPLOYER OF  
8 RECORD AS IT RELATES TO ITEM NO. 6.

9

10 **PACIS GOFFNEY:** OKAY. AND I GOT THE CARD OVER THERE, AND I'LL  
11 DO THAT, SIR. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **PACIS GOFFNEY:** THANK YOU, GUYS.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. NEXT?

18

19 **FATEMEH BAGHERI:** MY NAME IS FATEMEH BAGHERI, AND I'M HERE ON  
20 BEHALF OF S.E.I.U. LOCAL 2006. S.E.I.U. REPRESENTS SECURITY  
21 OFFICERS HERE IN LOS ANGELES AND ACROSS THE COUNTY. AND WE  
22 WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE HOW WE GOT INTO  
23 THIS SITUATION WITH INTERNATIONAL SERVICES AND HOW IT CAN BE  
24 AVOIDED IN THE FUTURE. AS YOU MAY KNOW, SAM KARAWIA, THE  
25 PRESIDENT OF INTERNATIONAL SERVICES INC., WAS ARRESTED ON



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1 APRIL 15TH ON CHARGES OF DEFRAUDING THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
2 OUT OF MORE THAN \$9 MILLION IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE  
3 PREMIUMS. UNTIL THIS POINT, I.S.I. WAS THE COUNTY'S NO. 2  
4 SECURITY CONTRACTOR WITH CONTRACTS WORTH \$30 MILLION OVER  
5 SEVERAL YEARS. SINCE THEN, I.S.I. HAS DECLARED BANKRUPTCY. THE  
6 COMPANY DID NOT MEET ITS PAYROLL OBLIGATIONS FOR AT LEAST TWO  
7 WEEKS BEFORE FILING FOR BANKRUPTCY PROTECTION. APPROXIMATELY  
8 200 OFFICERS SERVING AT THE COUNTY ARE AMONG THOSE WHO WERE  
9 NOT PAID. AND SOME REPORT THEY WENT AN ENTIRE MONTH WITHOUT  
10 PAY. WE WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS. WE HAVE ALREADY SPOKEN  
11 TO YOU ABOUT THIS FOR THEIR ATTENTION TO THE ISSUE. SO FAR,  
12 THE RECOURSE THE OFFICERS HAVE BEEN OFFERED IS TO FILL OUT  
13 CLAIM FORMS AND SUBMIT THEM TO THE BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDING.  
14 ACCORDING TO OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CREDITORS' LAWYERS,  
15 FORMER EMPLOYEES' CLAIMS ARE IN THE CATEGORY OF "GENERAL  
16 UNSECURED CLAIMS" AND ARE NOT A TOP PRIORITY FOR REPAYMENT.  
17 THEY RANK SOMEWHERE BETWEEN THE MIDDLE AND THE BOTTOM IN TERMS  
18 OF PRIORITY. THE BEST CASE SCENARIO IS THAT OFFICERS MIGHT BE  
19 PAID IN EIGHT MONTHS OR A YEAR. WORST CASE IS THAT THEY COULD  
20 WAIT EVEN LONGER AND ULTIMATELY NEVER BE PAID FOR THAT MONTH'S  
21 SERVICE TO THE COUNTY. WE ASK THE SUPERVISORS TO PLEASE TAKE  
22 ACTION TO INSURE THAT THE OFFICERS WHO SERVE OUR COUNTY BY  
23 PROTECTING ITS BUILDINGS AND EMPLOYEES ARE PAID AS QUICKLY AS  
24 POSSIBLE FOR THE WORK THAT THEY DO. THESE OFFICERS SHOULD NOT  
25 SUFFER BECAUSE ONE OF THE COUNTY'S CONTRACTORS ACTED





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1 IRRESPONSIBLY. ON A RELATED TOPIC, WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT THIS  
2 INCIDENT UNDERSCORES THE IMPORTANCE OF RIGOROUS ENFORCEMENT OF  
3 THE COUNTY'S RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTOR POLICY. EVEN BEFORE MR.  
4 KARAWIA'S ARREST, I.S.I. HAD A TROUBLING HISTORY OF LEGAL  
5 VIOLATIONS AND WAS DEBARRED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN 2008  
6 FOR FAILING TO PAY THE MINIMUM WAGE REQUIRED BY LAW TO WORKERS  
7 ON A FEDERAL CONTRACT. WE ASK THE COUNTY TO RE-EXAMINE BOTH  
8 THE WRITTEN POLICY AND THE APPLICATION OF THE POLICY TO ENSURE  
9 THAT IN THE FUTURE, ONLY RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTORS ARE HIRED TO  
10 SAFEGUARD COUNTY EMPLOYEES, BUILDINGS AND THE PUBLIC. THIS NOT  
11 ONLY PROTECTS CONTRACTED WORKERS LIKE I.S.I. OFFICERS, BUT ALL  
12 OF US. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

13  
14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

15  
16 **HECTOR JAIME:** HI, MY NAME'S HECTOR JAIME. I WORK AS A SECURITY  
17 GUARD. I WORKED IN THIS BUILDING FOR MORE THAN 2-1/2 YEARS  
18 PROTECTING THE PUBLIC AND THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND GENERAL  
19 PUBLIC. I DON'T WORK FOR INTERNATIONAL. BUT I HAVE CO-WORKERS.  
20 AND I'M TALKING ON THEIR BEHALF ASKING FOR YOU TO HELP. MY  
21 SECURITY WORK AT THE COUNTY WILL NOT PAY A MONTH'S WORK FOR  
22 I.S.I. BANKRUPTCY. WE DON'T MAKE A LOT OF MONEY. AND SO  
23 MISSING A MONTH'S WORTH OF WAGES IS A REAL HARDSHIP FOR US. IT  
24 MEANS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BEING ABLE TO PAY OUR MORTGAGE OR  
25 OUR RENT OR MISSING THAT PAYMENT. THIS ECONOMY IS VERY HARD TO





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1 GO WITHOUT THOSE WAGES. I KNOW THAT SOME SUPERVISORS HAVE  
2 ALREADY BEEN LOOKING INTO THIS PROBLEM. I THANK YOU. SO FAR,  
3 OUR OFFICERS HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT THEY CAN FILL OUT A FORM,  
4 HOPING TO GET PAID LATER, MAYBE IN A YEAR FROM NOW, MAYBE  
5 LONGER. THAT MIGHT NOT GET PAID AT ALL. WE WORK VERY HARD  
6 EVERY DAY PROTECTING THE COUNTY BUILDINGS AND PEOPLE. WE ASK  
7 THE SUPERVISORS TO INSURE THAT OUR RIGHTS ARE NOT VIOLATED AND  
8 THAT SECURITY OFFICERS ARE FAIRLY COMPENSATED FOR THE WORK WE  
9 DO HERE.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IF YOU CAN REMEMBER THE  
12 CONVERSATION ON ITEM NO. 6, WE ARE TRYING TO HELP IN EVERY WAY  
13 WE CAN. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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15 **HECTOR JAIME:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BEFORE YOU SPEAK, MR. LEWIS, I'D ASK  
18 WALTER BECKTEL AND ARNOLD SACHS TO JOIN US, PLEASE? MR. LEWIS?

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20 **LUTHER LEWIS:** YES, GOOD EVENING, BOARD. MY NAME IS LUTHER RAY  
21 LEWIS, JR. I'M WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND WITH  
22 THE U.S. U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THIS INVESTIGATION I'M  
23 CONDUCTING ON ELECTROMAGNETIC EXPERIMENTS AT U.C.L.A. OLIVE  
24 VIEW HOSPITAL WHICH I ADDRESSED EARLIER THIS YEAR, BUT NOW I'M  
25 WORKING CLOSELY WITH PRESIDENT OBAMA AND THE U.S. ATTORNEY.



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1 I'M AN AMERICAN AFRICAN-AMERICAN WHO HAS BEEN VIOLATED OF A  
2 HUMAN RIGHTS, A VICTIM OF ELECTROMAGNETIC MILITARY WEAPONRY,  
3 AN E.M.R. SURGICAL MANDIBULAR JAW DEVICE IN THIS MODERN TIMES  
4 OF NONSLAVERY. 13 AMENDMENT VIOLATION. THIS TORTUROUS DEVICE  
5 ALLOWS A MEDICAL TERRORIST TO RECORD, EXPERIMENT, AND LOOK  
6 THROUGH MY EYES, READ EVERY THOUGHT, FOURTH AND EIGHTH U.S.  
7 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS. WITH A SEVEN-YEAR SURVIVOR  
8 MENTALITY AND GOD BLESSED COURAGE, THESE PEOPLE NEED TO BE  
9 SERVED CAPITAL PUNISHMENT WITH A SPECIFIC INTENT TO DISREGARD  
10 A MAN'S LIFE IS PURE TERRORIST WRITTEN. I'VE REPORTED THIS  
11 CRIME TO L.A.P.D. CRIMINAL REPORT, NO JUSTICE. THE SCIENCE  
12 THAT THREATENS OUR COUNTRY AND AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN CYBERNET,  
13 BIOLOGICAL WARFARE BY RACIST WHITE AND HISPANIC DEVIL  
14 WORSHIPPERS IN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA, LAS VEGAS. NAMES OF  
15 CRIMINAL INTERESTS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE CONGRESS FOR  
16 CONGRESSIONAL HEARING. I COME TO THIS BOARD THIS DAY BECAUSE  
17 THIS IS A SERIOUS MATTER. AND I'M A SERIOUS PERSON. I'M AN AIR  
18 FORCE VET. AIRCRAFT ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS. BUT THESE PEOPLE  
19 VIOLATED ME SEVEN YEARS AT U.C.L.A. AND I'VE BEEN DOING AN  
20 INTENSE INVESTIGATION ON THIS WITH NO WORD HERE. SO WHEN IT  
21 GOES TO THE CONGRESSIONAL AREA, IT WILL BE DEALT WITH. GOD  
22 BLESS YOU. AND ALL I EXPECT IS COMPENSATION AND ASSISTANCE IN  
23 DEALING WITH THIS MATTER. THIS IS A SERIOUS MATTER. OUR YOUTH  
24 OF TODAY ARE AFFECTED BY THIS. THE TRANSITION INTERACTION WITH  
25 ELDERS AND YOUTH BEGINS NOW WITH PEOPLE NOT DOING ILLEGAL



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1 BIOLOGICAL WARFARE ON INNOCENT VICTIMS IN THE L.A. COUNTY  
2 HOSPITALS.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. BECKTEL, YOU'RE POINTING  
5 TO MR. SACHS? DO YOU WANT HIM TO GO FIRST?

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7 **WALTER BECKTEL:** YEAH, LET HIM GO.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I'M CONCERNED BY M.T.A., OR WITH C.T.A.,  
12 SLASHING THE BUS SERVICE HOURS OVER 17 PERCENT OF THE BUS  
13 HOURS IN O.C., ORANGE COUNTY, ARE GOING TO BE SLASHED. I'M  
14 WONDERING WHEN THE HAMMER IS GOING TO DROP IN L.A. COUNTY. YOU  
15 SPENT AN AWFUL LOT OF TIME DISCUSSING THE LIVING WAGE, WHICH  
16 IS IN REALITY SHOULD BE CALLED A KILLING BENEFITS ORDINANCE.  
17 HOW RIDICULOUS THAT YOU CAN OFFER \$2 MORE PER HOUR TO  
18 EMPLOYEES, HAVE EMPLOYERS OFFER THEIR EMPLOYEES \$2 MORE AN  
19 HOUR TO WAIVE THEIR MEDICAL BENEFITS. IT'S SUCH A GREAT DEAL.  
20 THE CITY HAS THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE. AS A MATTER OF FACT,  
21 THEY'RE LOOKING AT INCREASING THE PAY FOR THE AIRPORT WORKERS,  
22 WHICH IS NOT A DEPARTMENT THAT THE CITY OVERSEES. SO THEY  
23 ACTUALLY HAVE NO CONTROL OVER IT. BUT THEY'RE LOOKING TO HAVE  
24 THE AIRLINES ADD A QUARTER ONTO EVERYBODY'S TICKET TO HELP PAY  
25 FOR MEDICAL BENEFITS. BASED ON, LET'S SAY, 60,000 PASSENGERS,



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1 THAT WOULD BE 15 MILLION QUARTERS, \$3.75 MILLION FOR HEALTH  
2 BENEFITS THAT THE AIRLINES ARE GOING TO PAD THEIR POCKETS  
3 WITH. HOW MUCH DO YOU THINK IS GOING TO GO FOR MEDICAL  
4 BENEFITS? BUT THE FACT THAT YOU STAND UP HERE OR YOU SIT UP  
5 THERE AND YOU TRUMP IT, A LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE THAT  
6 ESSENTIALLY PUTS PEOPLE AT THE MERCY OF COUNTY FACILITIES  
7 BECAUSE THEY HAVE NO BENEFITS, AND IF THEY HAVE SOMETHING COME  
8 UP, THAT \$2 AN HOUR THAT THEY MADE YOU THINK WOULD BE \$80. BUT  
9 AFTER YOU TAKE OUT THE 30 PERCENT FOR THE GOVERNMENT, THEY'RE  
10 NOT EVEN MAKING \$80. HOW CAN YOU TRUMPET SOMETHING SO  
11 ABSOLUTELY ABSURD? THAT BEING SAID, DID YOU HAPPEN TO READ IN  
12 TODAY'S NEWSPAPER THE SUPREME COURT RULING INVOLVING LARGE  
13 CAMPAIGN DONATIONS FOR JUDGES? ALTHOUGH THE COUNTY DOESN'T PAY  
14 A LARGE CAMPAIGN DONATION, IT DOES SUPPLEMENT JUDGES' PAY TO  
15 THE TUNE OF \$47,000 EACH. SO I'M WONDERING HOW THE APPEARANCE  
16 OF BIAS CAN BE AVOIDED WHEN YOU HEAR A LOT OF PEOPLE COME UP  
17 AND TALK ABOUT THEIR CASES BEING ADJUDICATED AGAINST THEM BY  
18 THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS, HOW CAN COUNTY JUDGES NOT BE BIASED  
19 WHEN THE COUNTY IS PAYING OUT OVER \$47,000 IN SUPPLEMENTAL PAY  
20 TO THE JUDGES FOR PERKS? HOW DO YOU RECONCILE THOSE  
21 DIFFERENCES? AS ALWAYS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, ANSWERS AND  
22 YOUR ATTENTION.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MOST OF THE CASES THAT COME  
25 UP HERE ARE NOT NECESSARILY IN FAVOR OF THE COUNTY. THEY'RE



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1 BETWEEN PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS. SO IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT  
2 RULES ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY. YES, MR. BECKTEL.

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4 **WALTER BECKTEL:** YEAH, YEAH. HELLO. YEAH, I'M MR. WALTER  
5 BECKTEL.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SORRY.

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9 **WALTER BECKTEL:** IT SAYS YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO SAY YOUR NAME HERE.  
10 SO, I JUST WANTED TO REITERATE SOME THINGS I THINK I TALKED  
11 ABOUT ALREADY, COPYRIGHTING, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY. I DON'T  
12 THINK SOME PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY AND THE STATE EVEN, OR MAYBE  
13 EVEN IN THE UNITED STATES UNDERSTANDS. ANY DIFFERENCE IF  
14 SOMEBODY SWITCHES A LICENSE PLATE ON AN AUTOMOBILE, THAT  
15 DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT IT'S BEEN STOLEN. I MEAN, JUST  
16 BECAUSE THE NEW LICENSE PLATES ON IT DOESN'T MAKE IT THAT  
17 PERSON'S CAR. AND THE SAME WAY WITH INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY. YOU  
18 CAN'T COPYRIGHT SOMETHING THAT BELONGS TO SOMEBODY ELSE AND  
19 SAY IT'S YOURS. AND WHAT REALLY APPALLS ME IS HOW ALL THESE  
20 SHERIFFS AND ALL THESE POLICE ENFORCEMENT PEOPLE ARE DEFENDING  
21 THE RIGHTS OF THESE PEOPLE WHO HOLD THE COPYRIGHTS AFTER I'VE  
22 BEEN HAVING THINGS IN COURTROOMS SINCE THE YEAR 2000 CLAIMING  
23 THAT MUCH OF THIS INFORMATION AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY WAS  
24 STOLEN TO BEGIN WITH. HOW CAN YOU ENFORCE THE RIGHTS OF PEOPLE  
25 TO HOLD THE COPYRIGHT WHEN THEY DIDN'T HAVE A RIGHT TO TAKE



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1 THE COPYRIGHT TO BEGIN WITH? YOU'RE JUST SKIPPING OVER THE  
2 MOST IMPORTANT STUFF AND PULLING THE WEEDS UP AT THE TOP OF  
3 THE GROUND. YOU'RE NOT GETTING TO THE ROOT PROBLEM. NOW, YOU  
4 IGNORE ME AND NOW YOU'RE HAVING SOME FINANCIAL PROBLEMS. YOU  
5 DON'T UNDERSTAND FINANCES. EVERY DOLLAR THAT YOU PRINT IN THE  
6 UNITED STATES IS BASED ON A PROMISE. AND EVERY PROMISE IS  
7 BASED UPON INTEGRITY. BUT IF YOU KEEP LYING AND DEFENDING  
8 THESE THINGS WHEN EVERYBODY OUT THERE KNOWS THAT THESE THINGS  
9 ARE STOLEN AND CHINA IS DOING THE SAME THING THAT YOU'RE DOING  
10 OUT THERE, YOU'RE DEVALUATING YOUR OWN DOLLAR. IT'S TIME TO  
11 START PUTTING THESE PEOPLE -- BRINGING THEM INTO THE  
12 COURTROOMS. NOT JUST FOR ME. CERTAINLY I'M GOING TO BENEFIT,  
13 YEAH. BUT FOR YOURSELVES, OBVIOUSLY YOU'RE RUINING YOUR OWN  
14 ECONOMY HERE. YOU CAN'T CONTINUE TO GET -- MAKE PEOPLE BELIEVE  
15 THAT YOU'RE TELLING THE TRUTH WHEN YOU'RE OBVIOUSLY LYING. AND  
16 YOU JUST ARRESTED ONE SHERIFF'S DEPUTY THAT 26 YEARS AGO SHE  
17 SUPPOSEDLY COMMITTED A MURDER.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT WASN'T A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY.

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21 **WALTER BECKTEL:** BUT I'M NOT CONVINCED THAT HAD THE ENTIRETY OF  
22 YOU DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT HER. YOU PUT HER -- SHE WAS WITH THE ART  
23 THEFT PEOPLE OVER THERE. AND NOW THEY CAN'T WORK ON ART THEFT  
24 BECAUSE SHE'S NO LONGER WORKING THERE.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THAT WASN'T A SHERIFF'S  
2    DEPUTY BY THE WAY. THAT WAS NOT A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY. THANK YOU.

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4    **WALTER BECKTEL:** IT SAID ON THE NEWS SHE WAS A SHERIFF'S  
5    DEPUTY.

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7    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SHE WAS NOT. L.A.P.D. READ US INTO  
8    CLOSED SESSION.

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10   **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,  
11   NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BE  
12   CONVENING IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1,  
13   CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE  
14   TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, ITEM NO. CS-2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL  
15   COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION AND ITEM NO. CS-3,  
16   CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS WILLIAM T FUJIOKA, CHIEF  
17   OFFICER AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED  
18   AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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